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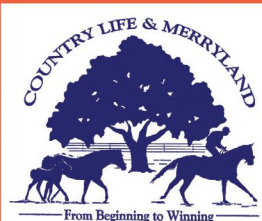
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Champion: Unnamed dark bay/brown filly
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Reserve Champion: Unnamed bay colt
(Bandini x Fiddle Me Blue-GB – Bluebird)
Breeder/Owner: Lady Olivia at North Cliff, LLC
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Best Turned Out/Groom's Awards:

- Unnamed, dark bay/brown filly (Latent Heat x Beautiful Stranger – Foxhound). Breeder/Owner: Hart Farm, Inc.
- Unnamed, bay colt (Bandini x Fiddle Me Blue-GB – Bluebird). Breeder/Owner: Lady Olivia at North Cliff, LLC
- Babblin On, bay gelding (Oratory x Press Sure – Press Card). Breeder: Catherine Stimpson/Country Life Farm/Darley. Owner: Catherine Stimpson
- Stacey's Flight, dark bay/brown filly (Roman Ruler x Eugapae – El Prado-Ire)
Breeder/Owner: Dr. Sam E. English, II

Virginia Breeders Fund Futurity \$5,000 Bonus Award Winners



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Glenn Petty

First Place (Pictured): HUGE, chestnut filly (Meadowlake x Wonders Delight – Icecapade). Breeder: Wayne and Susan Chatfield-Taylor, Morgan's Ford Farm

Second Place: IKE, bay gelding (Louis Quatorze x Uncanny Ability – Cryptoclearance). Breeder: Lady Olivia at North Cliff, LLC

Third Place: PRIDE OF THE FLEET, dark bay/brown colt (Parker's Storm Cat x Fancy Dancer – Citidancer). Breeder: Run Aweigh Stable

Fourth Place: CLASS MARK, bay gelding (Not For Love x Class Excels – Class Secret). Breeder: Mede Cahaba Stable and Stud, LLC

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Bob Baffert unleashes Concord Point to win the \$750,000 West Virginia Derby-G2 at Mountaineer Park.

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COVER: Current weanling crop at Bert and Diana Firestone's Newstead Farm includes Winchester's half-brother by Lemon Drop Kid (right) and a filly by Grand Reserve out of the Deputy Commander mare Reflections. Photograph by Douglas Lees.



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Fillies, Two-Years-Old

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Fillies, Three-Years-Old

November 13	Twixt S	\$50,000-guaranteed	1 mi.
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Three-Year-Olds and Up

October 30	Find S (T)	\$50,000-guaranteed	1½ mi.
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November 27	Jennings S	\$50,000-guaranteed	1½ mi.
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Fillies and Mares, Three-Years-Old and Up

November 6	All Brandy S (T)	\$50,000-guaranteed	1¼ mi.
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December 4	Squan Song S	\$50,000-guaranteed (non-winners of a sweepstakes)	7 fur.
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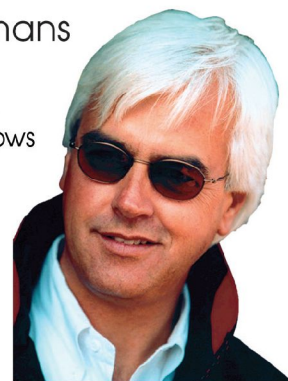


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Delaware Park

777 Delaware Park Blvd., Wilmington, Del. 19804. (302) 994-2521; (800) 417-5687 (outside Del.); fax (302) 998-1216. Racing Secretary: Pat Pope. Racing dates: May 1 to Nov. 6; www.delpark.com.

Laurel Park

P.O. Box 130, Laurel, Md. 20725. (301) 725-0400, (410) 792-7775; (800) 638-1859. Racing Secretary: Georganne Hale. Racing dates: Sept. 11 to Dec. 18; www.marylandracing.com.

Monmouth Park

175 Oceanport Avenue, Oceanport, N.J. 07757. (732) 222-5100; fax (732) 571-8658. Racing secretary: Michael Dempsey. Racing dates: May 22

to Nov. 21; www.monmouthpark.com.

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Belmont Park—Sept. 11 to Oct. 31

Calder Race Course—April 25 to Jan. 3

Churchill Downs—Oct. 31 to Nov. 27

Delta Downs—Oct. 27 to March 26

Fair Grounds—Nov. 25 to March 27

Finger Lakes—April 16 to Dec. 4

Golden Gate—Oct. 20 to Dec. 19

Gulfstream Park—Jan. 5 to April 24

Hawthorne—Oct. 1 to Dec. 31

Hollywood Park—Nov. 3 to Dec. 19

Keeneland—Oct. 8 to Oct. 30

Mountaineer—March 1 to Dec. 21

Oak Tree at Hollywood Park—Sept. 29 to Oct. 31

Oaklawn Park—Jan. 14 to April 16

Remington Park—Aug. 19 to Dec. 11

Suffolk Downs—May 1 to Nov. 6

Sunland Park—Dec. 10 to April 19

Tampa Bay Downs—Dec. 11 to May 8

Thistledown—April 23 to Nov. 6

Turfway Park—Dec. 2 to Dec. 31

Woodbine—April 2 to Dec. 5

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Pennsylvania Fall Mixed

Mountain Springs Horse Sales, Shartlesville, Pa. (610) 823-3545, (610) 488-7175. Oct. 24.

December Mixed

Fasig-Tipton Midlantic, Timonium Sales Pavilion, Timonium, Md. (410) 392-5555 or 252-5860. Dec. 6.

OUT-OF-STATE AUCTIONS

Fall Mixed, Ocala Breeders' Sales Co., Ocala, Fla. (352) 237-2154. Oct. 19, 20.

Kentucky Fall Yearlings

Fasig-Tipton Kentucky, Lexington, Ky. (859) 255-1555. Oct. 25-27.

Kentucky Selected Fall Mixed

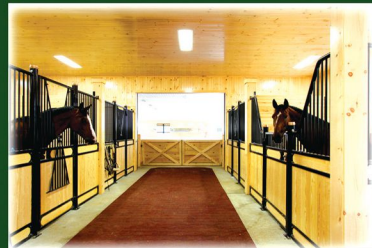
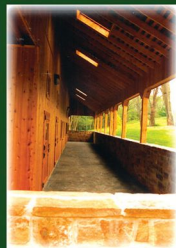
Fasig-Tipton Kentucky, Lexington, Ky. (859) 255-1555. Nov. 7.

November Breeding Stock Sale

Keeneland, Lexington, Ky. (800) 456-3412. Nov. 7-20.

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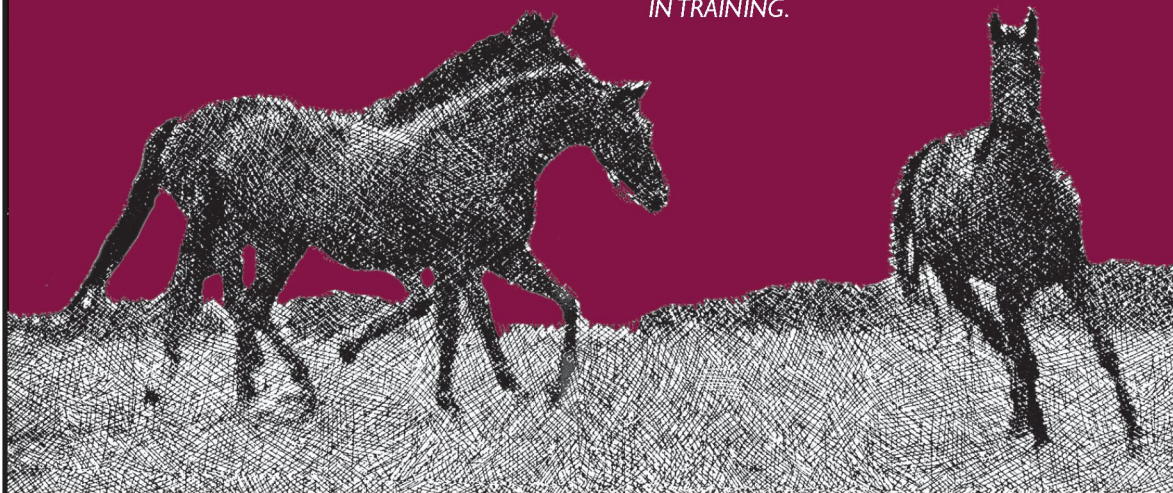
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West Virginia Breeders Classics, Charles Town, Charles Town, W.Va. (304) 725-0709; www.wvbc.com. Oct. 16.

South Carolina Residency Races, Philadelphia Park, Bensalem, Pa. (706) 896-6883. Nov. 14.

NSA FALL MEETS

Virginia Fall, Middleburg, Va. Oct. 2, 3.

Genesee Valley, Genesee, N.Y. Oct. 9.

Morven Park, Leesburg, Va. Oct. 9.

International Gold Cup, The Plains, Va. Oct. 16.

Far Hills, Far Hills, N.J. Oct. 23.

Aiken Fall, Aiken, S.C. Oct. 30.

Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, Ga. Nov. 6.

Montpelier, Montpelier Station, Va. Nov. 6.

Pennsylvania Hunt Cup, Unionville, Pa. Nov. 7.

Colonial Cup, Camden, S.C. Nov. 13.

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Dec. 7; *Hind Limb Lameness: Is it the suspensory ligament or something else?* Jan. 4; *Beyond EPM: Neurologic Disease in the Horse*, Feb. 1; *Diagnostics on the Run: High Speed Treadmill Testing the Equine Athlete*, March 1; *Wounds: Care on the farm and at the hospital*, April 5; *You think it's colic, but it's not*, May 3.

Rutgers Equine Science Center Webinar Series, New Brunswick, N.J. (732) 932-5529; www.esc.rutgers.edu. *Grant Writing and Fund Raising for Equine Care Facilities*, Oct. 5; *Winter Care for Your Horse*, Oct. 19.

Horse Short Course Series, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, N.C. (919) 515-5784; www.cals.ncsu.edu/an_sci/extension/horse/hhmain.html. *Developing the Green Horse Farm*, Oct. 23, 24; *Horse Breeding Management*, Dec. 9-11; *Business Management for the Equine Professional*, Dec. 11, 12; *Foaling Management*, Dec. 12; *Equine Health: Understanding Metabolic Disorders of the Horse*, Feb. 12; *First Time Horse Owners: What You Should Know*, Feb. 13.

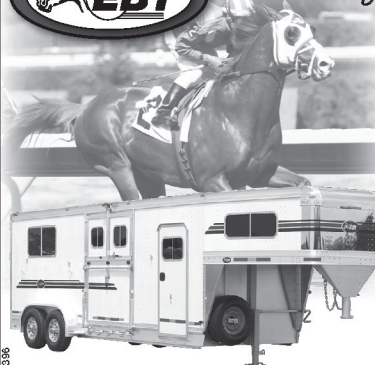
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Equine Extravaganza, The Meadow Event Park, Doswell, Va. (410) 349-9333; e-mail: info@equineextravaganza.com; www.equineextravaganza.com. Oct. 29-31.

Horse World Expo, (301) 916-0852, fax (301) 916-0853; www.horseworldexpo.com. **Timonium Fairgrounds**, Timonium, Md. Jan. 20-23; **Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex**, Harrisburg, Pa. Feb. 24-27.



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Final foal fires up

I couldn't help but chuckle as I read your July Pensioners on Parade, featuring the now-retired mare What a Gaylord.

The article prominently highlighted her final foal, a high-strung maiden filly named Homefire—my high-strung filly, as it turns out, since I'm the owner of That's Amore Stable.

Happily, Homefire lost the maiden moniker when she cruised to an easy victory at Colonial Downs on the Fourth of July—one more win in What a Gaylord's extraordinarily productive breeding career and a nice coda to your story.

We assumed the fireworks that night were for her!

*Frank Vesper
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Kiss And Go (c) by Kissin Kris



Blank Verse (f) by Royal Anthem



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MID-ATLANTIC REPORT

TABLE GAMES BOOST LIVE RACING AT CHARLES TOWN

Introduction of table gaming at Hollywood Casino at Charles Town Races in July appears to have increased interest in live racing, according to track officials.

Gross live handle in July increased by slightly more than 2 percent in comparison to July 2009, despite a 13 percent decrease in the number of live days run. The average daily live handle at the track posted a gain of 17.5 percent. Similarly, import handle spiked nearly 11 percent after table games went into operation.

In addition to the handle increase, the number of patrons watching the races was reportedly far larger than the track normally attracts during the summer months.

"The increase in traffic on the racing side has created an increase in the energy of the building," Britton added. "Like we've said all along, the addition of table games would have a positive impact on all aspects of our business and all the parties who benefit from it."

The increase in attendance led the track to add walkabout

Hollywood Casino at Charles Town Races July Pari-Mutuel Handle

	2009	2010	Change
Live days	23	20	-13.04%
Gross live handle	\$1,756,372	\$1,794,702	2.18%
Gross export handle	\$13,408,518	\$13,843,445	3.24%
Gross import handle	\$2,499,071	\$2,770,704	10.87%
Average daily live handle	\$76,364	\$89,735	17.51%
Average daily export handle	\$582,979	\$692,172	18.73%

One of the reasons for the increased handle is believed to be the location of the poker room, which has been constructed on the mezzanine level of the track grandstand. The room, which will ultimately have 27 tables, allows players access to live racing whether they're playing or waiting for a table.

"It's a similar demographic, a similar customer," said Al Britton, general manager of Hollywood Casino at Charles Town Races. "When people are waiting to be seated at a poker table, we've found that a fair number of them wager on racing here."

mutuel tellers, equipped with mobile hand-held wagering devices.

Another positive figure—and one not impacted by table games—was the increase in export handle on Charles Town's races. The average daily export handle posted an 18.7 percent gain in July over the previous year, a key indicator that efforts to promote an improved racing product and garner national attention with stakes events such as the Charles Town Classic and Sprint Festival are paying dividends.

BREEDERSCUP360.COM—A RESOURCE FOR HANDICAPPERS

BreedersCup360.com, a specialized Web site, focuses on all aspects related to handicapping the 2010 Breeders' Cup at Churchill Downs on November 5 and 6.

The site places particular focus on the international competitors who are not as well known to many U.S.-based horseplayers. In addition to up-to-date betting information on the Breeders' Cup, users have access to the latest interactive video races through a corresponding Breeders' Cup YouTube page.

The site also includes complete historical statistics, providing the user with trends on trainers, jockeys, sires and dams compiled from the first 26 runnings of the championships.

Additional features of BreedersCup360 include:

- Full Breeders' Cup social media integration (Twitter, Facebook, widgets, Flickr and YouTube).

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BreedersCup360 is fully interactive. Fans can share their opinions about Challenge races and Breeders' Cup contenders alongside the site's analysts and contributors.

"BreedersCup360.com is an interactive platform for bettors looking for the latest handicapping content to specifically prepare them to wager on Championship weekend," said Peter Rotondo, Breeders' Cup vice-president of media and entertainment.

N.J. VETERINARIAN SCOTT PALMER JOINS TCA BOARD

Scott Palmer VMD, hospital director and staff surgeon at the New Jersey Equine Clinic in Millstone Township, N.J., has been named to the board of directors of Thoroughbred Charities of America.

Also new to the TCA board is Pope McLean Jr., a partner in Crestwood Farm in Lexington, Ky.

Dr. Palmer, a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, is a past president of the American Association of Equine Practitioners. He has

also served as a member of the broadcast team for CBS and NBC sports, ESPN, The FOX Network and The Learning Channel.

The TCA board currently includes additional board members Amy Adkins, Jimmy Bell, Gary Biszantz, Nadia Sanan Briggs, Gretchen Jackson, Michael Levy, Bob Manfuso, Dan Metzger, Ellen Moelis, Herb Moelis, Dr. Jim Orsini, Josh Pons, Dan Rosenberg, Rob Whiteley and Jack Wolf.

THE JOCKEY CLUB PROJECTS 2011 FOAL CROP AT 27,000

The Jockey Club is projecting a 2011 North American registered Thoroughbred foal crop of 27,000, a decline of 10 percent from the estimate of 30,000 registered foals for 2010, it was announced on August 21 by Matt Iuliano, the organization's executive vice-president and executive director.

The foal crop projection, traditionally announced in mid-August, is computed by using Reports of Mares Bred (RMBs) received to date for the 2010 breeding season. RMBs are to be filed by August 1 of each breeding season.

The 2011 foal crop is projected to be the smallest foal

crop since 1973, when 26,811 foals were registered.

Stallion owners who have not returned their RMBs for the 2010 breeding season should do so as soon as possible. Submission of RMBs can be accomplished quickly and easily through Interactive Registration™ (IR), the online service that enables registered users to perform virtually all registration-related activities over the Internet. IR is available at registry.jockeyclub.com.

Additional foal crop information is available in The Jockey Club's Online Fact Book, accessible at jockeyclub.com/factbook.asp.

UHC ANNOUNCES OPERATION GELDING

The Unwanted Horse Coalition (UHC) has initiated Operation Gelding. The new UHC program will provide funds and materials to assist organizations, associations and events that wish to sponsor clinics in which horse owners can bring their stallions to be castrated.

This initiative is made possible by a special gift from the American Association of Equine Practitioners Foundation and the UHC; both organizations have donated seed money to get the program started.

The UHC will provide information and forms necessary to conduct a clinic, along with seed money to defray the costs. Funds of \$50 per horse gelded with a \$1,000 maximum will be awarded to groups once a year. Assistance will be awarded on

a first come, first serve basis, subject to available resources. Organizations can apply by filling out the Operation Gelding Funding Form provided by the UHC. Funds will be awarded once the clinic is complete and a veterinary statement is provided. With the inauguration of Operation Gelding, the UHC will become more directly involved in helping horses.

For more information contact UHC director Ericka Caslin at ecaslin@horsecouncil.org or (202) 296-4031.

The mission of the Unwanted Horse Coalition is to reduce the number of unwanted horses and to improve their welfare through education and the efforts of organizations committed to the health, safety and responsible care and disposition of these horses.

MID-ATLANTIC-BREDS AT SARATOGA

Topped by a \$385,000 Elusive Quality colt, six Mid-Atlantic-breds sold at the Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Selected Yearling sale held August 2 and 3 in Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

The top-priced horse from this region was bred in Maryland by Peter Angelos's Marathon Farms Inc. and is out of the stakes-winning Dayjur mare Lucette, dam of graded winner Everyday Heroes (\$225,900). Lucette's stakes-winning half-sister Baby Zip (by Relaunch) earned Broodmare of the Year honors as the dam of Horse of the Year and sire Ghostzapper (\$3,446,120) and Grade 1 winner and sire City Zip (\$818,225).

Consigned by Marshall W. Silverman, agent, the colt was purchased by MR Capital.

Other Mid-Atlantic-breds sold at Saratoga are followed by names of breeder, consignor and buyer:

\$190,000. Ch.c., Not For Love—Senate Caucus, by

Siphon (Brz). Corner Farm and John T. Behrendt (Va.); Corner Farm and John T. Behrendt, Bluegrass Thoroughbred Services Inc. (John Stuart), agent; McMahon Bloodstock LLC, agent.

\$150,000. Dk.b./br.c., Medaglia d'Oro—Runaway Royalty, by Runaway Groom. Albert P. Coppola (Pa.); Taylor Made Sales Agency, agent LXI; Lawley-Wakelin Bloodstock, agent.

\$150,000. B.f., Malibu Moon—Your Out, by Allen's Prospect. John T. Crane Jr. and Margaret M. Crane (Md.); Eaton Sales, agent; T.F. Van Meter, agent.

\$130,000. B.c., Street Sense—Isadora (GB), by Sadler's Wells. Lady Olivia at North Cliff LLC (Va.); Eaton Sales, agent; Crupi's New Castle I.

\$100,000. Dk.b./br.f., Mr. Greeley—Monochrome, by Broad Brush. Bonita Farm and Joe Cornacchia (Md.); Eaton Sales, agent; Chester Stables LLC, agent.

JOCKEY CLUB LAUNCHES REGISTRY MOBILE SITE

Thoroughbred owners and breeders who use The Jockey Club's Interactive Registration service can now access two of the most popular features—the Online Names Book and the list of recently released names—on their smart phones following the launch of mobile.registry.jockeyclub.com.

The Online Names Book is a searchable list of approxi-

mately 450,000 Thoroughbred names in active use. The list of recently released names comprises approximately 40,000 names released from active use on January 1 each year. Both resources are updated as names are claimed so that customers are always looking at the most current information.

MID-ATLANTIC REPORT

MI DEVELOPMENTS ANNOUNCES PREAKNESS \$5.5-MILLION BONUS PROGRAM

MI Developments Inc., in conjunction with its premier racing properties, Gulfstream Park, Santa Anita Park, Golden Gate Fields, Pimlico Race Course and XpressBet Inc., has announced Preakness 5.5—a program that could award an additional \$5.5 million in bonuses to the winner of the 2011 Preakness Stakes. The bonus will be shared between the owner (\$5 million) and the trainer (\$500,000).

Preakness 5.5 is designed to allow both East Coast and West Coast-based 3-year-olds to qualify by having the preliminary races at Gulfstream Park, Santa Anita Park and Golden Gate Fields.

“The purpose of this grand prize is to provide a spectacular event for the fans and to create a potential life-changing experience for the stakeholders of the racing industry,” stated Frank Stronach, chairman of MID. “These events represent the greatest hope for the renewal of the Thoroughbred racing business in America. Our con-

tinued development of MID’s recently acquired assets should translate into improved results across MID Racing Properties’ asset base.”

GULFSTREAM PARK

To qualify for the Preakness 5.5 at Gulfstream Park, a horse must win either the Grade 3 Holy Bull Stakes or the Grade 2 Fountain of Youth, and then go on to win the Grade 1 Florida Derby on Sunday, April 3, 2011.

SANTA ANITA PARK

To qualify for the Preakness 5.5 at Santa Anita Park, a horse must win either the Grade 2 Bob Lewis or the Grade 2 San Felipe, and then go on to win the Grade 1 Santa Anita Derby.

GOLDEN GATE FIELDS

The winner of the Grade 3 El Camino Real, which is scheduled to be run on February 12, 2011 at Golden Gate Fields, will also qualify for the

Preakness 5.5 if it goes on to win the Santa Anita Derby.

XPRESS BET CONSOLATION PRIZE

To add to the excitement of the Preakness, XpressBet will sponsor the XpressBet .55, a consolation prize of \$550,000 (\$500,000 to the owner and

\$50,000 to the trainer) to be awarded to the winner of the 2011 Preakness if that horse was not eligible for the Preakness \$5.5 million bonus but was a runner in one of the initial qualifying races and finished first, second or third at the Santa Anita Derby or the Florida Derby.

ROUND TABLE CONFERENCE VIDEO REPLAY, TRANSCRIPTS NOW AVAILABLE

A video replay from The Jockey Club’s 58th annual Round Table Conference on Matters Pertaining to Racing is now available at jockeyclub.com. The conference was held August 22 at the Gideon Putnam Resort in Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

Official transcripts of the conference are also available on the same site.

The first half of the Round Table Conference focused on recent trends in Thoroughbred breeding and racing and how industry

organizations are adapting to the changing landscape.

The second half of the program featured a report on the activities of The Jockey Club as well as a comprehensive segment on the industry’s collaborative progress on medication and safety issues.

Stuart S. Janney III, chairman of The Jockey Club’s Thoroughbred Safety Committee, concluded that segment with a report on the activities of the committee and the announcement of recommendations.

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*as of Aug. 25

GOOD RATES with NO SURPRISES

—PENSIONERS ON PARADE—

MR. V.

On a summer morning in 1999, Maryland native Lucy Howard stood watching training on the Saratoga backstretch. Next to her, she remembered, was “a very elegant, graceful gentleman. He wasn’t doing or saying anything but he looked like someone who was someone.” Howard began to notice that greetings were exchanged as riders and trainers passed by on the track. It wasn’t until she heard “Good morning, Mr. V.,” that Howard realized that the man beside her was racing icon Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt.

That chance encounter left a lasting impression on Howard. Growing up in the Greenspring Valley, Howard was familiar with Vanderbilt’s Sagamore Farm and his legendary Native Dancer. A career as an investigative reporter for *Newsweek* magazine took her to New York City, but her love of Thoroughbred racing never wavered. A few years after her Saratoga experience, Howard was listening to a racing broadcast on the New York OTB channel when she heard the on-air analyst mention a horse named Mr. V.

“My ears perked up immediately,” she said, “and I began to follow his career.”

As the very last horse bred by Vanderbilt before his death in November 1999, Mr. V. had a unique birthright to go with his exceptional bloodlines. The New York-bred son of Distinctive Pro is out of Hey Up There, a daughter of Cormorant and Tall Glass O’Water. A stakes winner herself, Tall Glass O’Water (Thin Slice—Water Baby, by North Sea) is featured in photographer Barbara Livingston’s book *More Old Friends* (Eclipse Press, 2007).

Country Life Farm purchased Hey Up There from the Vanderbilt dispersal at the Fasig-



Alfred G. Vanderbilt's namesake Mr. V. is the picture of class at Billy Santoro's Monkton, Md., farm, where his favored riders include Sara Katz.

Tipton Midlantic February sale in 2000, and when her yearling son went through the ring a short while later, “we thought it would be good for the mare if we bought him too,” said Country Life’s Josh Pons. “Alfred Vanderbilt was such a great Maryland patron. He bred those Sagamore Farm families for generations. It is an honor to have Hey Up There as part of our broodmare band.”

Still in residence at Country Life, Hey Up There is in foal to Oratory for 2011. Mr. V.’s half-sister, the stakes-winning Sagamoon (by Malibu Moon), has also retired and begun her breeding career at the historic Bel Air, Md., farm.

Mr. V. became a Country Life Farm partnership offering, and it was as such that his and Howard’s paths converged. After a *Newsweek* buy-out, Howard found herself with disposable income to invest. She informed her financial advisor that she wanted to put her money into steeplechase horses. A former fraternity brother of Josh Pons’s from the University of Virginia, he instead directed Howard to Country Life.

“At that time I knew very little about what they did,” Howard said. “But I knew they owned Mr. V. And they were gracious enough to cut me a very small share of him.”

A fairly consistent performer in allowance ranks, Mr. V. ran primarily in New York, first for trainer Billy Turner and later from the barn of Gary Contessa. But nagging foot issues—his hooves could not tolerate the chemicals used to winterize the dirt tracks at Aqueduct—and a troublesome tendency to grab a quarter plagued him throughout his career. After one of his many layups, the decision was made to transfer him to the barn of Flint Stites to see if the Mid-Atlantic climate and surfaces would be more favorable. By then a 6-year-old, “he just wasn’t competing at the same level,” said Howard. “Some of the partners became antsy and wanted out, so it was decided to run him through a sale up at Belmont. I was horrified that someone else might get him, but we ended up buying him back.”

After some less than brilliant efforts at Finger Lakes

and Charles Town, Mr. V. was retired at the end of 2005 with \$178,232 in earnings and career stats of 24-5-4-2. Lucy Howard jumped at the chance to buy her partners out.

“I don’t think they ever thought I’d do it,” she laughed, “but when Josh said ‘Okay, here’s how much,’ I said, ‘Okay, here’s the check.’”

Howard, who has not ridden since her late teens, immediately sent the horse to timber rider Billy Santoro at his Prospect Farm in Monkton, Md. Santoro spent nearly a year growing out a good hoof, all the while getting to know his newest charge.

“He’s always been a character,” Santoro explained. “In description you might call him a junior high school kid. If you wanted to color it a little bit, you’d say well maybe the kid has ADD. But it’s all done with the greatest good humor. There isn’t a mean bone in the horse. He chooses his riders; he literally tells you who he wants to play with and who he’ll just frustrate. He occasionally chooses to express himself in amusing and annoying ways.”

But to devoted groom Poncho Valdez, the regally handsome dark bay is a lovable eccentric who simply knows what he wants and exactly how to convey it. Santoro elaborated, “One of Mr. V.’s other fun things to do is to see how much trouble he can get into. But all in the name of having fun. He’s a very social creature, loves the whole idea of fox-hunting and is a party animal. He’ll eat a plate of linguine and white sauce, or have a donut for breakfast. They’re all individuals. But there are horses that have attitude, and there are horses that have personality. And Mr. V. is larger than life.”

/Maggie Kimmitt



Lucrative bonuses restore some luster to Maryland racing

Kudos to Maryland's new track ownership for presenting something new. While Maryland racing's all too apparent weaknesses are not going away any time soon, MI Developments has chosen to build on its strengths with a gaudy set of bonuses for the 2011 Preakness Stakes-G1 and Black-Eyed Susan Stakes-G2.

Preakness 5.5 and Black-Eyed Susan 2.2 offer a possible total of \$7.7 million for the two 3-year-olds who win specified races on either the East Coast or West Coast and go on to star in the premier racing events at Pimlico next spring. Complete details of both programs can be found at www.pimlico.com.

The purse for the Black-Eyed Susan has also been raised from \$150,000 to \$250,000 for next year's running.

It may be an illusion, but all those big numbers are already allowing Maryland racing a whiff of prosperity. It's been a long time since any Maryland track made national news with super-sized prizes.

The money is not a giveaway, of course. Guiding a horse through the requisite series of races will be in many ways as difficult as winning the Triple Crown. But with so much on the line, a select few will make the attempt and many more will dream about it.

Preakness 5.5 is worth \$5 million to the owner of a Preakness winner who qualifies under the guidelines of the program. That is nearly double the combined winning purses—\$2,625,200—for the Kentucky Derby, Preakness and Belmont Stakes in 2010.

With the Preakness becoming such a lucrative target, the Triple Crown could lose part of its allure. That is the unfortunate downside. But there will be opportunities to deal with that, if it happens.

The Preakness has forged ahead, and nothing should be allowed to hold it back. Racing is meant to be exciting, and challenging. Preakness 5.5 reminds us of that fact. ✴



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Genuine horsepeople

Virginians Bert and Diana Firestone have raced seven Eclipse Award winners—and they're not finished yet

by Lucy Acton

If there is such a thing as horse-heaven on earth, it likely bears a strong resemblance to Newstead Farm.

Bert and Diana Firestone's 400-acre establishment in the countryside north of Upper-ville, Va., is a world apart from the ordinary. Stone pillars flank the gateway to the enchanted land where the Firestones live surrounded by trophies and memorabilia from an unparalleled career as owners and/or breeders of horses who have combined to win more than 175 major stakes in the U.S., Ireland, England, France and Japan. They have to their credit seven Eclipse Award champions, including, of course, the iconic filly Genuine Risk.

In Ireland, they are venerated as the breeders of a horse whose exploits are commemorated by a statue at the Curragh: Vintage Crop (by Rousillon), the first overseas-trained horse to win Australia's Melbourne Cup.

And the sense of anticipation remains. "It's wonderful to see horses develop and get confidence and bloom," says Diana Firestone.

Still, like virtually everyone else in the business, the Firestones have watched their racing fortunes go through cycles of disappointment as well as elation. It's been 16



The famous couple stands in front of the early 19th century manor house at Newstead Farm, where they have made their home since 1991.

years since turf performer Paradise Creek—whom they bred and raced up to the brink of his championship campaign in 1994—graced the scene.

Now the famous couple, both 78, are back in the limelight with the best horse they've raced in some time, the 5-year-old grass star Winchester.

Foaled and raised at Newstead—thus giving Virginia bragging rights to another illustrious state-bred—Winchester staged one of the most memorable upsets of the season in Belmont Park's Grade 1 Manhattan Handicap last June, when he stormed down the middle of the track to outfinish the reigning turf and older male champion, his Christophe Clement-trained stablemate Gio Ponti.

The Firestone homebred followed up with a more than respectable third, beaten two lengths by the winner, French invader Chinchon (Ire), in Monmouth Park's United Nations Stakes-G1 on July 3.

Barring unforeseen circumstances, and with a successful but as yet unspecified fall campaign in New York, Winchester may carry the Firestones' green and white colors in the Breeders' Cup on November 6 at Churchill Downs.

Clement, 44 years old and a top New York-based condi-

DOUGLAS LEES



ADAM COGLIANESE

Winchester, a son of the Firestones' homebred turf champion Theatrical (Ire), carried the Firestones' colors to victory in the Manhattan Handicap-G1. His performance thwarted the best efforts of his stablemate Gio Ponti, whom trainer Christophe Clement sent out for two championship titles in 2009.

tioner, can barely recall a time in his life when he was not in awe of the Firestones' racing prowess.

"They used to race horses in France with Francois Boutin when I was a kid," says Clement, who had no idea he would one day fill Boutin's role. "They're great owners because they know the game."

LONG AND GLORIOUS RIDE

In the world of Thoroughbred racing, the Firestones will always be most widely recalled for Genuine Risk, the \$32,000 yearling auction buy who remains one of three fillies ever to win the Kentucky Derby-G1.

But by the time that signature achievement hit the record books in 1980, they had already campaigned two Eclipse Award winners, both conditioned by

the trainer who shepherded the careers of all their major U.S. runners of the 1970s and early '80s, LeRoy Jolley.

Honest Pleasure, the champion 2-year-old male of 1975, just missed to Bold Forbes in the '76 Kentucky Derby.

What a Summer, a Maryland-bred filly purchased by Diana Firestone at auction in Florida for \$275,000 following the death of her breeder, Milton Polinger, reached new heights the next season, as a 4-year-old in 1977, winning four stakes, including the Fall Highweight Handicap-G2 in which she carried 134 pounds for her victory against males and clinched the title of national sprint champion.

Glory has stalked Bert Firestone and the former Diana Melville Johnson since the 1950s and '60s, when each of them ranked among the most

accomplished show riders in the nation.

An heiress to Johnson & Johnson, the pharmaceutical and health care products firm co-founded by her grandfather Robert Wood Johnson, Diana discovered horses during her teenaged years at Madeira School in Virginia and Bennett College in New York. Bert, who graduated from New York Military Academy and attended the University of Virginia, has credited those institutions with introducing him to the equestrian arts.

No relation to the tire company of that name, Bert Firestone came from a New Jersey family that was involved in real estate. At a relatively early age, he launched his own ventures, including Firestone Properties, which planned, built and leased commercial and industrial buildings.

Along with years of disciplined competition on horseback comes a nuanced understanding of the equine body and soul. Bert Firestone carried that sensibility, as well as a shrewd business sense, into the sales arena at Saratoga in 1966, when he bought his first prospective race horses. The yearlings were purchased in the name of Chance Hill Farm, an establishment that he owned in Connecticut.

Only two years later, Firestone landed his first stakes winner. The filly Ridin' Easy (by Ridan out of a half-sister to multiple stakes winners Cyane and Your Alibhai), purchased for \$15,000 at the Keeneland summer sale, won the Fashion and Polly Drummond Stakes as a 2-year-old in 1969 under the tutelage of trainer Tommy Walsh.

Among the first owners in this country to maintain an

international focus, Firestone shopped the auction sales in Europe as diligently as those at home. His first overseas star was the 1971 Irish Two Thousand Guineas-G1 winner King's Company, who cost 35,000 guineas as a 2-year-old.

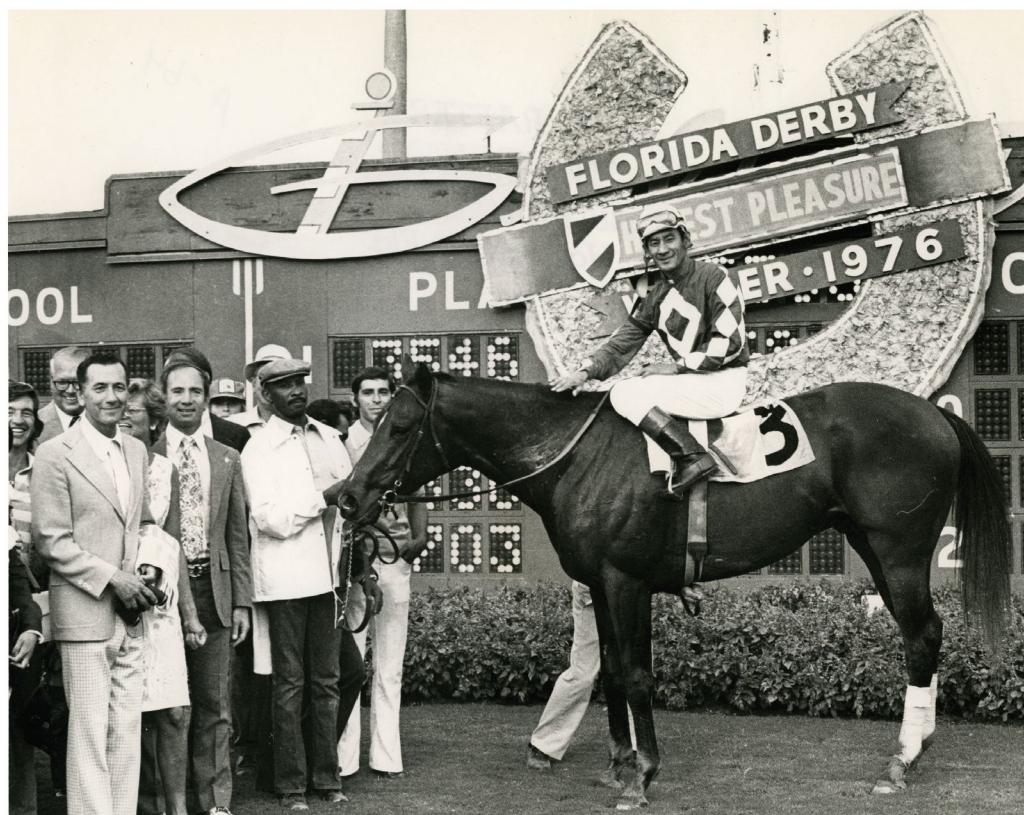
Bert and Diana Firestone's wedding in 1973—the second marriage for them both—merged powerful families both equine and human. Diana had previously been involved in breeding and racing at Shenstone Farm near Leesburg, with her then husband Richard Stokes.

A key member of the farm crew at Shenstone carries on at Newstead Farm today in the person of John (Buck) Moore, who is soon to mark a half-century of employment with Diana Firestone. Moore oversees the care of all the horses at Newstead, and was the proud and devoted “best friend” to Genuine Risk throughout most of her life.

After their marriage, the Firestones settled in at a 1,400-acre farm purchased from television industry mogul John Kluge in Waterford, Va. Previously named Loyalty Farm, the property became Catoctin Stud after the Firestones bought it; the name comes from a creek that runs through the land.

The late *Blood-Horse* editor Kent Hollingsworth described Catoctin Stud in a 1980 feature article for that magazine: “[After the Firestones’ purchase] it was improved—dramatically. A New York interior decorator went to work on the 18th Century, three-story residence, a Charlottesville architectural firm designed the broodmare barn, old barns were renovated, 22 miles of plank fencing were built, with chicken coops, the fences set well back from roadways against the chance of anyone rising to a fence and landing on blacktop.”

Both Firestones continued to ride and foxhunt, with Bert Firestone serving as joint-Master of the Kildare Hunt in Ireland, and both of them taking to the field with the Loudoun Hunt in Virginia.



Involved with their race horses to a degree rarely seen among owners at the top level of the business, the Firestones were in the saddle for part of their horses' early education. As Hollingsworth noted, Diana Firestone holds a unique distinction as the only owner to have helped break yearling fillies who went on to win the Kentucky Derby and Kentucky Oaks (then Grade 2) in her name.

The Oaks winner, the mere mention of whom can light up Diana Firestone's face, was Optimistic Gal, a daughter of Sir Ivor purchased for \$55,000 at the 1974 Saratoga Yearling sale. Ranked even with champion Dearly Precious on the 1975 Experimental Handicap for fillies, Optimistic Gal won five stakes that season—three in Grade 1 company.

If fate had taken a slightly different turn, Optimistic Gal might have been the first filly to carry the Firestones' hopes in the Kentucky Derby. She was nominated as an understudy to Honest Pleasure, who started as 2-5 favorite in the Derby. Optimistic Gal added three more Grade 1 wins that season, and was runner-up to Revidere

for 3-year-old filly champion honors.

A flurry of stakes winners passed from auction sales rings into the Firestones' stable in the 1970s. Then their first blockbuster homebred hit the track. Bert Firestone had purchased a share in Secretariat when the great Virginia-bred was syndicated prior to his 1973 Triple Crown. Two years later, the Firestones sent their Native Dancer mare Exclusive Dancer to Claiborne Farm for a mating with Big Red, and the resulting foal—General Assembly—was to rank among his sire's finest.

At 2 in 1978, General Assembly won the Hopeful Stakes-G1 and Saratoga Special-G2. At 3, he was runner-up to Spectacular Bid in the Kentucky Derby and Marlboro Cup, in addition to two more graded wins. But his most memorable performance came in the Travers Stakes-G1, which he captured by 15 lengths, destroying the track mark set by Honest Pleasure and leaving a mile and a quarter track record (2:00.00) that continues to stand at Saratoga.

Until the early 1990s, the Firestones maintained two farms in County Kildare, Ireland: Gilltown Stud and Sally-

mount Stud, each purchased from the Aga Khan and together encompassing about 1,200 acres. Several of the Firestones' top runners made portions of their stud career at Gilltown, and General Assembly was among them.

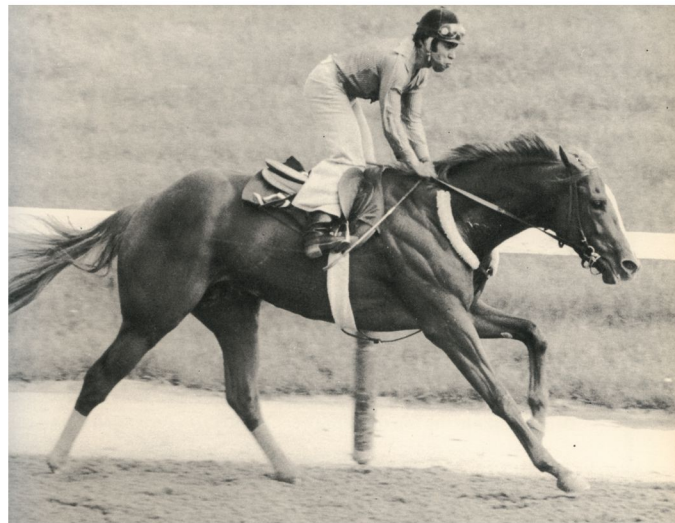
General Assembly's success encouraged the Firestones to move toward racing their own stock rather than buying yearlings at the sales—a practice that they have come to vastly prefer.

“We still buy a few at sales, but not many,” says Bert Firestone. “Mostly we breed our own. The perfect horse goes for a lot of money. But you don't need the perfect horse. If you look in the winner's circle, you see all sizes and shapes.

“I never did go after the most expensive horse at a sale.” The most Bert Firestone ever paid for horse at auction? \$200,000 to \$250,000, he tells you.

THE ULTIMATE RISK

Fortunately for the Firestones, they were still quite active in the auction arena back



In the 1970s, the Firestones had a run of top performers, including (from left, beginning on opposite page) Honest Pleasure (champion 2-year-old colt in 1975), What a Summer (champion sprinter, 1977) and homebred General Assembly, who set Saratoga's existing mile and a quarter track record (2:00.00) in the 1979 edition of the Travers Stakes-G1.

in 1978. It was Bert Firestone's son, Matthew, who famously selected Genuine Risk at the Fasig-Tipton July sale that year. Then 14 years old and a student at Culver Military Academy (and currently a bloodstock agent in Florida, under the banner of Silver Spring Thoroughbred Management LLC), Matt Firestone had been accompanying his father on buying missions for years. He urged his father to add the daughter of Exclusive Native to their list—and Bert Firestone set a spending limit of \$35,000 on the filly out of the *Gallant Man mare Virtuous. They took her home for \$32,000.

"She was backward but she was coming along," recalls Diana Firestone. "She had perfectly nice conformation but didn't really blossom until later in [her yearling] year."

Until the late 1990s, the Firestones followed a practice of running fillies and mares in her name, and males in his. Diana Firestone added two to her list of stakes winners from that sale. The other was Cybele (by Cyane), winner of the 1980 Comely Stakes-G3. Both were chestnuts, she is careful to point out. Asked if she has a

strong preference for chestnut horses, she says: "No, but I do like them."

Genuine Risk gave the Firestones plenty to like, winning the Demoiselle-G2 and Tempted Stakes-G3 while undefeated in four starts as a 2-year-old, and at 3 making history as the only filly ever to place in all three Triple Crown races.

Her gutsy performance in the Grade 1 Wood Memorial, a third-place finish, beaten a length and a half and a head by odds-on favorite Plugged Nickle and Colonel Moran in her first attempt against males, convinced the Firestones to send Genuine Risk to the Derby.

It was not a frivolous hope. "The first thing people want to do is run in the Kentucky Derby," says Bert Firestone. "To me, it's no fun to go there and lose; it's always a long way home."

"We wanted Genuine Risk to go to the Derby very much," says Diana Firestone. "In the Wood Memorial she was third, but she was the only one finishing. The other two had enough and she was coming on. I give credit to her rider, Jacinto

Vasquez. He said this horse can beat the colts in the Kentucky Derby. He kept telling me that. He knew his horse. The week before the Derby she got better every day."

Adds Bert Firestone: "The exercise rider could hardly hold her. But everybody told us we were crazy to run her in the Derby. . ."

Genuine Risk proved she belonged, taking command at the top of the stretch and holding off a long-forgotten colt named Rumbo to score by a length at odds of 13-1.

Then it was on to the Preakness, a race that could be described in just three words on the cover of the June 1980 *Maryland Horse* magazine: "I Was Fouled!" Angel Cordero, aboard the winner, Codex, carried Genuine Risk wide at the quarter pole just as she was making her move. The stewards disallowed Jacinto Vasquez's claim of foul, making Genuine Risk the official runner-up, beaten four and three-quarters lengths.

The Firestones appealed the case to the Maryland Racing Commission, which conducted a three-day hearing before voting 3 to 1 to uphold the stewards' decision.

Bert Firestone makes it clear that he considers the incident ancient history. "Those things

happen. It was unfortunate. She got pushed out and lost all chance," he says. However, by circumstance, they have never had another runner in the Preakness.

And Bert Firestone ponders the ifs even now: "If she hadn't been stopped, she would have won the Preakness. Then [trainer] Joe Cantey supplemented Temperence Hill to the Belmont Stakes; if that hadn't happened she would have won all three."

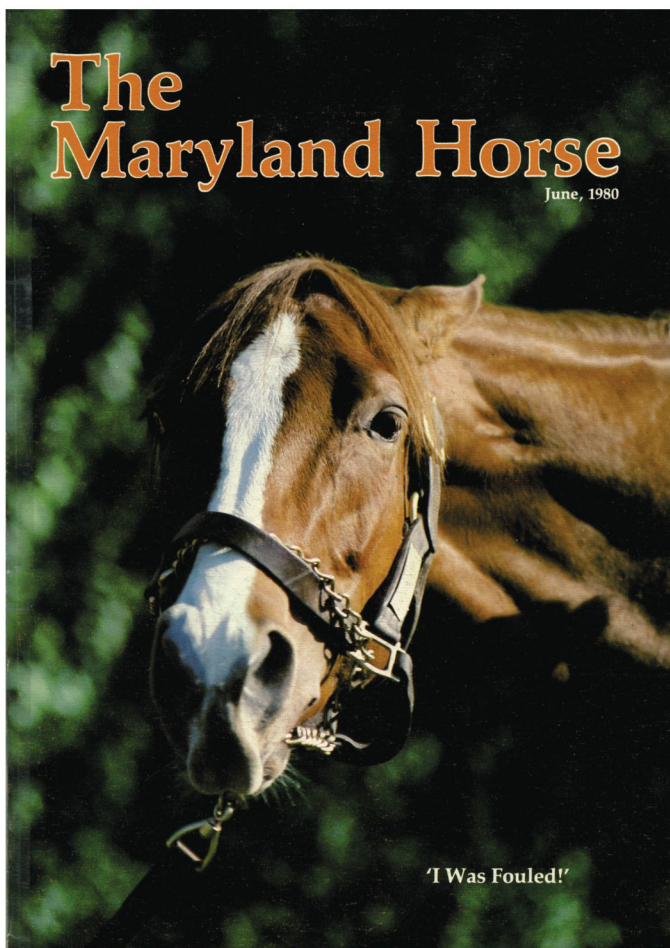
Genuine Risk finished second to 3-year-old male champion Temperence Hill in the Belmont Stakes-G1, and that fall added the Ruffian Handicap-G1 to clinch the title of champion 3-year-old filly. She returned at 4, only to have her career end abruptly one morning at Belmont Park when she got loose from her hotwalker and ran into a fire hydrant, injuring her left knee. "I don't think she ever took a lame step before that," says Bert Firestone. "But she was always arthritic in that knee as she got older."

Genuine Risk compiled a record of 15 starts, 10 wins, three seconds, two thirds and earnings of \$646,587.

Idyllic scenes of a series of blaze-faced chestnut foals romping the pastures at Catoc-tin (and later Newstead), talent-



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SNIP BALL

Genuine Risk won the 1980 Kentucky Derby (top) and had a real excuse in the Preakness. A horseshoe-shaped stand of red roses frames her grave at Newstead, where she rests directly in front of the Firestones' residence.

ed look-alikes to their famous mother, were not to be.

Following her spectacular racing career, Genuine Risk was a spectacular disappointment as a broodmare. The first mating between two Kentucky Derby winners took place in 1982, when Genuine Risk went to the court of Secretariat.

That foal was stillborn. Barren seasons and miscarriages came one after another.

"We tried everything," says Bert Firestone. "She got in foal, and then she lost them. No one could figure out why."

Finally, on Preakness day, May 15, 1993, Genuine Risk gave birth to a Rahy colt named

Genuine Reward. She was boarded at Three Chimneys Farm in Midway, Ky., at the time, partly to allow close access to Rood and Riddle Equine Hospital, where the delivery took place. There were complications, and the large chestnut colt required surgery at two days of age for an impacted bowel, but those problems were soon overcome and Genuine Risk proved to be a devoted mother.

"It was a special time when she was here," recalls Three Chimneys president Case Clay. "Many letters came to this farm after Genuine Reward was born—some from couples with difficulties having children. They described how Genuine Risk had been an inspiration to them to keep trying. Someone sent a dream catcher that we hung from her stall door."

Genuine Reward never made it to the races. But his pedigree earned him an opportunity at stud. He began his career in Virginia with modest results and now stands in Wyoming, where he is bred primarily to Quarter Horse mares.

Genuine Risk's only other foal was Count Our Blessing, born in 1996 from a mating with the Firestones' own stallion Chief Honcho. He also remained unraced.

Pensioned after an unsuccessful breeding in 1999, Genuine Risk lived out her life at Newstead, where she was the highlight of a stable tour sponsored each spring by a local church.

As she aged, the Firestones admittedly grew concerned about her inevitable end, playing various scenarios in their minds, wishing to eliminate any possibility of pain or suffering. They needn't have worried.

"She loved her routine," says Bert Firestone. "One morning she ate her breakfast, went to her paddock, jogged off, lay down, and went to sleep. It was a great way to die."

Adds Diana Firestone: "She figured it out for herself."

The date was August 18, 2008. She was 31 years old.

ECLIPSING THE FIELD

Diana and Bert Firestone received an Eclipse Award themselves in 1980, as the leading owner in the country. But that year—Genuine Risk's Derby season—was just a midpoint of one of the most remarkable runs any Thoroughbred owner/breeder has assembled in the U.S.

On the first Saturday in May, 1981, the couple headed back to Louisville with the winter book favorite for the Kentucky Derby, a Virginia homebred named Cure the Blues.

By Stop the Music out of a Dr. Fager mare, Cure the Blues had been culled from LeRoy Jolley's contingent of Firestone 2-year-olds in New York, and sent instead to the late Maryland trainer Bernie Bond.

Legendary for his knack with early developing 2-year-olds, Bond took Cure the Blues



BARBARA LIVINGSTON



TONY LEONARD



SKIP BALL

Turf champions, clockwise from top left: Homebreds Paradise Creek and Theatrical (Ire), and the filly April Run (Ire), by their home stallion Run the Gantlet, following her victory in the 1982 Washington, D.C., International.

through an undefeated juvenile season highlighted by a romp in the Laurel Futurity-G1.

Having no appetite for the travel and travail that goes along with the 3-year-old classics, Bond asked Firestone to send the colt on to Jolley at the end of his 2-year-old campaign.

Jolley saddled Cure the Blues to finish second in the Gotham Stakes-G2 and third in the Wood Memorial-G1. But the Kentucky Derby eluded him: he finished 15th in the race won by Pleasant Colony.

The Firestones have not had a Kentucky Derby starter since, but their scorecard remains impressive. Within a span of six years they had one win, two seconds and an off-the-board finish.

Cure the Blues went on to a successful stud career at Gilltown and later in New York state. Influential as a broodmare sire, he is the maternal great-grandsire of 2009 Horse of the Year Rachel Alexandra.

The Firestones' parade of champions continued in 1981 and '82 with April Run (Ire), who earned titles on two continents. Champion 3-year-old filly in France in 1981, she was named champion older female in that country the following year, while also taking the Eclipse Award for turf female in the U.S.

April Run was a daughter of Run the Gantlet, who stood at the Firestones' Gilltown Stud before being purchased for stud duty by the late Jerold

Hoffberger at his Sunset Hill Farm in Woodbine, Md.

Purchased by Diana Firestone from Frank Feeney's Ardoon Stud at the 1979 Goffs Yearling sale for the equivalent of \$24,000, and trained by Francois Boutin, April Run consistently defeated males at the top echelon of the sport. She is still the only horse to win consecutive editions of the Turf Classic Stakes-G1, and she nearly pulled off that feat in the Washington, D.C., International, finishing second in 1981 and coming back to win the next year.

April Run was the second consecutive International winner bred by the Firestones and sired by Run the Gantlet. The 1981 winner, Providential (Ire), carried the colors of Serge Fradkoff, having been sold by the Firestones for \$1 million following his victory in the 1979 Criterium de Saint-Cloud-G2.

Somewhat remarkably, the Firestones did not win an Eclipse Award with a homebred until 1987, and they did it with a horse whom they co-owned—Theatrical (Ire).

Foaled at Gilltown Stud, Theatrical (a son of Nureyev) followed a path that has become standard practice for many of the Firestones' runners, launching his career in Ireland and then moving on to the U.S.

Racing on the Irish turf can have strong benefits for some, if not all, young horses, believes Bert Firestone. "You have to look at their pedigrees,

to see which ones are suitable," he says. "It's not easier racing over there. The races are very difficult. But it's easier on their joints, and they get experience."

Eric Connolly, Newstead Farm's racing manager, elaborates: "There's a lot more opportunity for younger horses [in Ireland] as far as racing goes. There aren't many turf races for 2-year-olds in this country. So if we have a horse with a turf pedigree it makes sense to start him over there. He can be very successful once he's ready to come back here."

After the late Allen Paulson purchased a half-interest in him, Theatrical came into his own in the U.S. as a 5-year-old, winning seven stakes, six in Grade 1 company, including the Breeders' Cup Turf-G1, for a season's total of \$2,235,500

in earnings. Voted champion turf horse, he was the first major runner trained for the Firestones by future Hall of Famer Bill Mott.

"At the beginning of the year, Bill said, 'I'd like to run him in these five races,'" recalls Diana Firestone. "Not only did he run in them all, he won them all, and the jockey never used a stick. It was very exciting."

Of all the Firestones' former runners, Theatrical has made the most impact at stud. Now pensioned after a long career at Brookside Farms and Hill 'n' Dale in Kentucky, he is represented by 56 graded stakes winners, of whom Winchester is one.

Still in the early stages of his career when he trained Theatrical, Mott affirmed his talent by developing another turf standout for the Firestones:

Virginia-bred homebred Paradise Creek.

A son of Irish River (Fr), Paradise Creek was a Grade 1 winner in the U.S. at 3. He won a graded stakes early in his 5-year-old campaign, in 1994, prompting Japanese owner Masayuki Nishiyama to present the Firestones with an offer that could not be refused. His 1994 season cut a wide swath, with victories in the Arlington Million-G1, Washington, D.C., International-G1 and Manhattan Stakes-G1, along with four other graded stakes. Paradise Creek remains the all-time richest runner bred by the Firestones, with \$3,216,415 in career earnings. He is the second-leading Virginia-bred money-earner of all time.

If there was ever any doubt about the breadth of the Firestones' racing stable, it vanished in 1988 when they were handed an Eclipse Award for their steeplechaser Jimmy Lorenzo (GB).

Purchased privately in England from breeder and original owner J.W. de Mestre, Jimmy Lorenzo was not a standout in his home country. But, as the Firestones' then manager of international operations, John Muldoon, had predicted, he found his calling on the tighter turns and firmer courses in the U.S.

Jimmy Lorenzo, trained by Jonathan Sheppard, faced down 13 rivals in the third running of the Breeders' Cup Steeplechase, contested at Fair Hill, Md., rallying from last for a three-quarter-length score. He followed up with a come-from-behind victory in the Colonial Cup at Springdale, S.C., to remain undefeated in three starts that year. His \$170,000 in earnings led the National Steeplechase Association standings for the season.

THE NEWSTEAD ERA

Twenty years ago, with commercial development on the march near 2,000-acre Catoctin Stud, a partnership of Japanese businessmen made the Firestones an attractive offer,



Farm manager John (Buck) Moore performs a quick touch-up on Rum Charger (Ire), dam of current turf star Winchester. The mare, who was a Group 3 winner for the Firestones in Ireland, is in foal to Medaglia d'Oro.

and sent them on a search for a new home farm in Virginia.

The property they selected—Newstead—had an impressive history of its own, having been built in the 1930s by prominent commercial breeder Taylor Hardin. The 1985 estate dispersal sale of Newstead stock set a then-record for a broodmare, with six-time Grade 1 winner Miss Oceana (by Alydar) selling for \$7 million while in foal to Northern Dancer.

Around the same time they bought Newstead, in 1991, the Firestones downsized their racing and breeding operations—which had at their high point included 170 horses in the U.S. and abroad. They divested themselves of the farms in Ireland.

Says Bert Firestone: “The operation had gotten too big at that point. No matter how good your mares are, you’re not going to get more than one or two good horses at a time. If you have 12 to 15 good mares, your chances of getting a good horse out of them is just as good as if you have 100. All the ones that aren’t good eat up what the good horses make.”

Bert Firestone also sold the two Florida race tracks, Gulfstream Park and Calder, that he had purchased a few years earlier and struggled to make financially viable.

Newstead serves as the Firestones' primary home from mid-April until mid-November, when they take up residence in Florida. They are still deeply involved with the winter show circuit in Florida, through their daughter, Alison Robitaille, a longtime star of the show world who was an alternate for the U.S. team at the Olympics in Athens in 2004, and granddaughters Christina and Charlotte, who are now making their way up the ranks.

Newstead's main residence, a manor house dating back to 1802, required little work, according to the Firestones. During a brief period of ownership by James Treptow, who sold Newstead to them, the house burned down and was rebuilt to pristine specifications. Some original portions remain, including the wood flooring in the main entrance hall.

The stables, today in mint condition and painted with

identical cream colored walls and dark green trim, underwent massive renovations, according to Connolly. The farm has five barn complexes with a total of 61 stalls. Among its rarer features is the Grand Prix Derby Field, where Alison, who lives in nearby Middleburg, comes to train and give lessons.

For the past 15 years, the Firestones have kept most of their mares at home for foaling. They currently have 21 mares at Newstead, and four boarded at Airlie and Coolmore farms in Ireland. Sixteen foals were born for them last spring (15 in Virginia and one in Kentucky), representing stallions Arch, Bernstein, Congaree, Dixie Union, Eddington, Grand Reserve (a Firestone homebred standing at Calvin and Jean Rofe's farm in Middleburg), Harlan's Holiday, Latent Heat, Lemon Drop Kid, Mizzen Mast, More Than Ready, Pure Prize, Shakespeare, Songandaprayer and Stephen Got Even.

“We breed to horses that are made horses mostly, that have a lot of winners,” says Bert Firestone. “We don’t go crazy on the stud fees, like some



Racing manager Eric Connolly shows off Rum Charger (Ire)'s Lemon Drop Kid weanling colt. Right, from top: Newstead's weanling crop grazes with the Blue Ridge Mountains as backdrop; immaculately kept facilities include the show horse barn and clock tower barn complex.



DOUGLAS LEES (4)

people did when they had big stud fees."

Connolly notes that the Firestones continue to do their due diligence, inspecting stallions at farms in Kentucky, and considering physical characteristics before booking mares. "They really look at these horses," he says. "They like to see a horse's first foals before buying a season to him."

From Bert Firestone's point of view, however, pedigree trumps race record when planning a mating.

Connolly says, "The Firestones were very fond of Theatrical; particularly toward the end of his career, they tried to breed to him and went to sales specifically to buy Theatrical mares, or yearlings with broodmare potential."

That bent paid off, big-time, with Winchester, whose dam, Rum Charger (Ire), was purchased by the Firestones as a yearling at the 2000 Goffs October sale for the equivalent of \$144,391.

"[Rum Charger] developed early," recalls Diana Firestone.

"We ran her at the Royal Ascot meeting as a 2-year-old. She was so impressive—she walked around the ring like she owned the place. I just loved her from that moment on. She had bad luck in the race, got stopped two different times."

Rum Charger won two stakes, including the Group 3 Ballycorus, earning \$102,944, before joining the broodmare band at Newstead. Winchester is her second foal. The Firestones have high hopes for Rum Charger's 3-year-old daughter, Welcome Addition (by Theatrical), who is among the four horses they currently have in training with Dermot Weld in Ireland, and 2-year-old daughter, Incentive (by Mr. Greeley), who is with Clement. The mare produced a Lemon Drop Kid colt last February and is in foal to Medaglia d'Oro.

Keeping company with Rum Charger at Newstead is her 4-year-old daughter, Wardrobe (by War Chant), who retired unraced and delivered her first foal, a colt by Shakespeare, last

spring and is in foal to Latent Heat.

Ten yearlings left the farm this fall, bound for early training at Geoff Mulcahy's Golden Vale Farm in Paris, Ky.

Mulcahy, who has been breaking the Firestone yearlings for the past few years, not surprisingly speaks of his major clients in glowing terms: "They love to give a horse time," he says. "They're very patient and understanding, and willing to step back when necessary."

That element of patience has been obvious with Winchester, who is one of five Firestone horses in training with Clement

(another four are with Arnaud and Leigh Delacour at Fair Hill Training Center).

After a lackluster performance in the Irish Derby-G1, Winchester made the transcontinental journey, and six weeks later aired by seven and a quarter lengths in the 2008 edition of the Secretariat Stakes-G1, to record a 106 Beyer speed figure in his first U.S. start. He has rarely run a bad race since then, finishing in the money in four of his five starts in 2010.

It's all about balancing risks and rewards, as the Firestones could tell you. And they speak from experience. ★

Circle within a circle

Although controversial, state-bred racing programs can be beneficial for breeders and owners

by Don Clippinger

Restricted races for horses bred in a specific state always have been controversial. Some interests, especially commercial breeders in Kentucky, condemn them for supposedly fostering lower-level competition and encouraging the breeding of standard race horses.

These critics argue that, rather than funneling money into inferior races filled with inferior horses, the funds would be better invested in open races. If the state-breds are worthy, they should be able to earn their keep in open competition, these critics say.

Defenders of state-bred races offer several arguments for them. First, the restricted races offer an outlet for the products of smaller-scale breeders and help to keep their farms in business. And, they note, those farms represent open space that forms a line of defense against suburban sprawl. The funds flowing to the smaller-scale breeders also provide them with the wherewithal to upgrade their mares or purchase seasons to better sires.

The defenders also point out that a healthy, comprehensive state-bred program can sustain a state's breeding industry while the quality of the breeding product improves and until large numbers of race horses

find their way to the race track. In time, those programs can become critically important to a state's racing industry, especially in an era of shrinking race fields and fewer pari-mutuel betting interests.

Still, state-bred programs are a circle within a circle, a racing circuit sometimes separated out from the rest of the race track population and thus viewed with suspicion by both horsemen and bettors.

The state-bred programs are generating renewed attention because breeders and the organizations that represent them are looking at ways to generate more income, and they become hot topics of debate when new money flows into the state. That certainly is the situation in Pennsylvania, where purses have soared with the arrival of slot machines.

A survey of state-bred programs within the Mid-Atlantic region and New York state, which has the best-developed restricted racing program on the East Coast, found a wide disparity among them. In some cases, they are vital to keeping a state's industry alive, especially when foal crops keep shrinking.

But, at the same time, other issues overshadow the impact of the state-bred races. This is currently the situation in New Jersey, where the racing indus-

try is operating under a death threat from the state's governor and is seeking a long-term survival plan.

Keys to a successful state-bred program are money (it's always about the money), the length of time that the program has been around, and how many horses it produces for the race tracks that the state industry serves.

NEW YORK

Although not a part of the Mid-Atlantic region, New York is an important model because of its proximity and its success in building a strong program of state-bred races.

To be sure, the state's breeding program has been hammered in the past few years by a number of factors, including the general downturn in the economy and competition for its mares from Pennsylvania and Kentucky. But the likelihood that video lottery terminals will finally be installed at Aqueduct next year promises a new source of funds for both the New York Racing Association (NYRA) and the New York Thoroughbred Breeding and Development Fund.

The development fund has been in business since 1973, and its longevity coupled with the sheer size of the New York industry has permitted it to

develop an extensive program of New York-bred races. The development fund generates more than \$52 million annually, and last year it parceled out \$36.2 million for state-bred races.

Of that total, \$29.9 million went to races at NYRA's three tracks, and the remainder to Finger Lakes Race Track, the western New York home to a large population of state-bred race horses who compete in both open and restricted races.

NYRA's tracks staged 720 state-bred races last year, exactly equal to the number of races run in Aqueduct's winter/spring meet, the longest on NYRA's annual calendar. In all, NYRA's starting gates opened 2,351 times, and New York-bred races were 30.1 percent of the total. That is a lot of racing, and a lot of money flowing back into purse accounts through the New York Thoroughbred Breeding and Development Fund.

While Aqueduct certainly has a healthy share of the New York-bred racing, all NYRA meets have a significant chunk of the New York-bred program. At Saratoga, for instance, New York-bred races accounted for just short of one-quarter of all races last year.

Saratoga's 91 restricted races were well paid, averaging \$53,565 per race, compared

with Saratoga's overall average of \$71,911, but the meet's average for overnight New York-bred races, \$47,924, exceeded the upstate track's non-stakes average purse.

The median purse—half above and half below—for New York-bred races was \$48,000, an indication that much of the money was concentrated in higher-quality races. Indeed, only six races, all maiden claimers, had purses below \$44,000.

The New York-breds showed up to play. The average field size was 8.9 starters per race, a bit better than Saratoga's overall participation rate of 8.6 last year.

While the money and field sizes certainly are good, the most notable feature of the New York program is that it is a program. To be sure, 3-year-olds generally must compete with older horses, but the racing scheme at Saratoga last year offered something for all categories except open claimers.

The biggest category was maiden special weights, with 42 races, or 46.2 percent of the total. The next-largest categories were allowance races, 18 races (19.7 percent); stakes races, 14 races (15.4 percent); and optional claimers, 11 races (12.1 percent).

Only three of Saratoga's New York-bred races were limited to 3-year-olds, and they were all stakes—one for males and two for fillies. Two-year-old New York-breds had 19 races (20.9 percent), with nine limited to fillies. Races for 3-year-olds and older accounted for 37 of the total (40.7 percent), and the remaining 32 races were for 3 and up fillies and mares.

In short, New York's state-bred program has it all—money, longevity, many participants, and variety in a true racing program. It has proved to be a winning combination, and native New Yorkers have a rejoinder for those who might maintain that the state-breds offer an inferior product. In open company, New York-breds won three graded stakes—a Grade 1, Grade 2 and Grade 3—at

Belmont Park over the Fourth of July weekend.

PENNSYLVANIA

In many ways, Pennsylvania's state-bred racing program is as new as New York's is mature. While state-bred stakes races have been a part of the schedule for decades, a new scheme of overnight races is a product of negotiations and agreements worked out among horsemen, breeders, and race tracks this year. It also has been criticized sharply by one of the commonwealth's largest commercial breeders.

Unlike New York and some other states, the money going into overnights is coming from the horsemen's purse account. The Pennsylvania Breeding Fund, established in 1974 and based on pari-mutuel wagering handle as well as slots money, pays for various incentives, but it does not generate enough to pay for a state-bred racing program.

Thus, officers of the Pennsylvania Horse Breeders Association had to negotiate with the Pennsylvania Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association, representing Penn National Race Course near Harrisburg and Presque Isle Downs near Erie, and the Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association at Philadelphia Park.

The result is that Penn National and Presque Isle are putting roughly two races a day into their respective condition books, and Philadelphia Park will offer one restricted race a week through the end of the year, with a concentration on 2-year-old maiden special weights. In all, the horsemen will put approximately \$4 million into state-bred races this year.

"The horsemen have now bought into the Pennsylvania-bred program," said Mark McDermott, executive secretary of the Pennsylvania Horse Breeders Association. Falling pari-mutuel handle disrupted the percentages of money going into various parts of the program, and restricted races were the big loser.

"The ratios that we established with horsemen [prior to approval of slot machines] were out of kilter. The restricted-race program got hurt, and there was a lot of griping," McDermott said. "We made a very concerted effort over the last two years to get the horsemen to realize that all they would be doing is designating a portion of their money to purses. They are not funding anything in the breeding program. They now have signed on to that."

McDermott said the goal of the association always has been to encourage breeding of high-quality horses who can compete all over the world, and that mission has not changed. The money from slots, however, has allowed for the development of a balanced program that provides broad-based benefits and restricted races.

"It's a balance. There's nothing all white and all black in this industry, and that's true of

restricted races," he said. "They get breeder awards to people who otherwise would not be getting any money, with the hope that they would reinvest most or all of the money back into their breeding business. That part is good."

"The other part that is very good is that those races all have a local involvement. If I have a horse that I bred or own, I could take 10 people to the races and get them interested in it. It's very positive in that way."

For the Pennsylvania Horse Breeders, the state-bred racing is balanced with broad-based incentives, such as owner awards. "We've had the Pennsylvania-bred owner bonus since 1990," McDermott said. "So now we have a blend. We have the owner bonus, and we have the restricted races because we have the money. If we can have only one, we'd use the owner bonus because it's across the board. If we can have the

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While obtaining horsemen's assistance with state-bred race purses constitutes a breakthrough, not everyone is overjoyed. The \$4 million going to state-bred overnight races is only a token, said William

J. Solomon VMD, owner of Pin Oak Lane Farm in New Freedom, where he stands six stallions, including Lite the Fuse, Siphon (Brz) and Albert the Great.

Solomon certainly has done well in the Pennsylvania program; last year, his \$222,294 in breeder and stallion awards ranked a close second behind

Ronnie and Betsy Houghton's Sylmar Farm. But he voiced concern over how the vast amounts of money flowing into state race track purses are administered and how much—or how little—of the money is staying in Pennsylvania.

"The horsemen say that all the money comes back [to Pennsylvania] in training fees

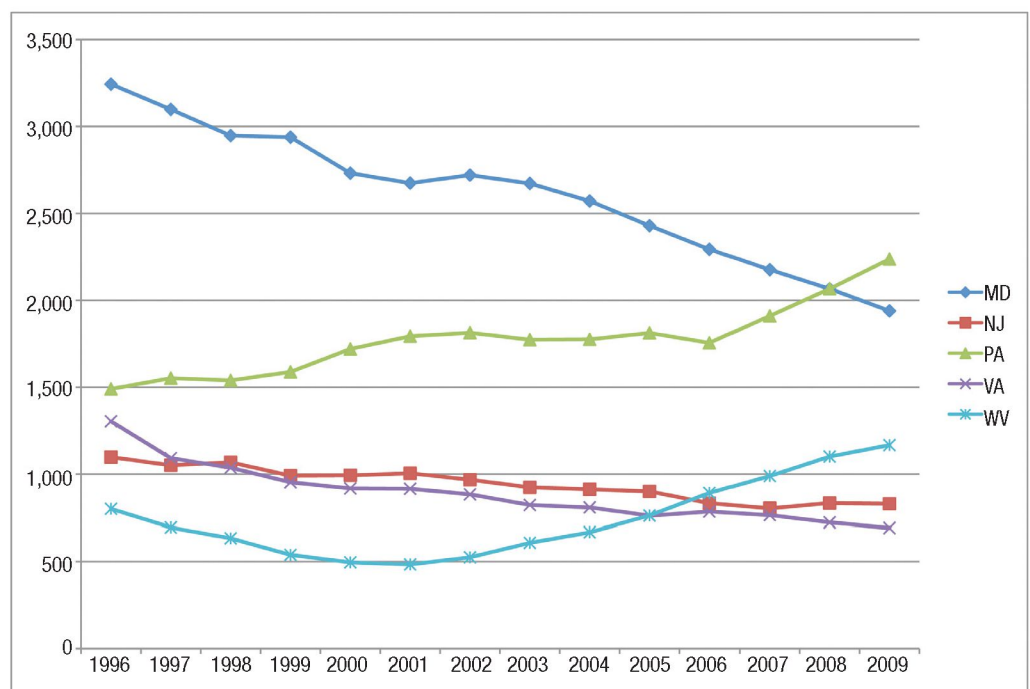
and other things," Solomon said. "That's not true. Some of the money comes back. But if I'm a serious owner and live in Florida, I'll send horses up here if they're making real good money."

His suggestion is that one-third of the purse money should go to Pennsylvania-breds, especially through state-bred races. That idea is very much a long-shot because political reality dictates that all horse interests must agree on issues before they carry any proposal to the legislature in Harrisburg.

The core of the problem, Solomon asserted, is how the slots-enabling legislation gave so much power to the horsemen's organizations to determine how purse money will be allocated. "The horsemen feel that the breeders don't have any right to the money, or any say," he said. "They don't want anybody in government or the breeding industry telling them how to spend their money. That's a big thing, and it's a problem."

Solomon said the \$4 million for state-bred purses is a good start, but only a start. "We're at the horsemen's mercy," he said. "They may take it away next week. Do you think I'm going to breed more Pennsylvania-breds because they write a handful of races at Penn

STATE-BRED RUNNERS BY YEAR, 1996-2009



YEAR	MD	CHANGE	NJ	CHANGE	PA	CHANGE	VA	CHANGE	WV	CHANGE
2009	1,939	-6.1%	830	-0.5%	2,237	8.3%	692	-4.4%	1,167	6.0%
2008	2,066	-5.1%	834	3.7%	2,066	8.2%	724	-5.4%	1,101	11.3%
2007	2,176	-5.1%	804	-3.5%	1,910	8.8%	765	-2.5%	989	10.9%
2006	2,293	-5.6%	833	-7.5%	1,755	-3.1%	785	3.0%	892	16.9%
2005	2,429	-5.5%	901	-1.3%	1,812	2.1%	762	-5.8%	763	14.2%
2004	2,571	-3.8%	913	-1.2%	1,775	0.1%	809	-1.7%	668	9.9%
2003	2,672	-1.8%	924	-4.5%	1,773	-2.2%	823	-6.9%	608	15.8%
2002	2,720	1.7%	968	-3.7%	1,813	1.1%	884	-3.5%	525	8.5%
2001	2,674	-2.1%	1,005	1.2%	1,793	4.2%	916	-0.2%	484	-2.4%
2000	2,731	-7.0%	993	0.2%	1,720	8.3%	918	-3.7%	496	-8.0%
1999	2,938	-0.3%	991	-7.2%	1,588	3.2%	953	-8.1%	539	-15.0%
1998	2,947	-4.9%	1,068	1.6%	1,539	-0.8%	1,037	-5.0%	634	-8.8%
1997	3,089	-4.7%	1,051	-4.3%	1,552	4.2%	1,092	5.6%	695	-13.2%
1996	3,243	-2.6%	1,098	-8.7%	1,490	1.7%	1,034	-8.9%	801	-5.5%

National? I won't do that until there is a Pennsylvania-bred racing program that can't be compromised at any time."

He also contended that high-end maiden special weight races and allowance races do not constitute a state-bred program. "It's tokenism," he said. "They write a few state-bred races in Pennsylvania, but that is not a state-bred program. A program accommodates a lot of horses at different levels."

His fear is that the legislature will decide that not enough money is benefiting Pennsylvania agriculture and will take much of it away, gradually or all at once. Under a four-year deal passed last year, the horsemen's share of the slot operators' gross win was reduced from 12 percent to 10 percent, a \$50 million reduction annually through mid-2013.

"So it's a dilemma. The money was given to the horsemen directly, and they don't realize the dilemma they're in, perhaps until it's too late," he said.

While Solomon is concerned about the 90 percent of state-bred horses who would not fit into what he describes as an elite program, race track operators have an interest in putting on the best show, with the best available horses and the largest fields.

Christopher McErlean, vice-president of racing at Penn National Race Course and formerly vice president of racing operations at Monmouth Park and the Meadowlands in New Jersey, is supportive of state-bred racing as long as it promotes quality.

"I think the point of a state breeding program should be to breed good horses that can compete in state-bred races and open company, too. I think there's sometimes too much reliance on the state-breds [in some jurisdictions]," he said.

"We tell the horsemen, the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, and the breeders that if the races fill, we'll try to use them. Our point has been that if the races are good quality and competitive, we're happy to have them. Obviously,

there's an ancillary benefit to the state's breeders, and that's fine. From a racing product point of view, we want it to be attractive. Those races seem to be filling fairly well. They don't raise a red flag in any way."

In all likelihood, Pennsylvania will have a healthy supply of race horses for years to come. Its registered foal crop hit an all-time high of 1,391 in 2008, and its number of runners reached a peak last year at 2,237. In each year since 2006, the number of runners has increased at least 8 percent annually.

NEW JERSEY

New Jersey's breeding industry has been sustaining sizable losses in its foal crop for more than a decade, plummeting to 290 registered foals in 2008 from a peak of 1,140 in 1987. The number of Jersey-bred runners also has fallen but not by nearly as much, declining to 830 last year from 1,098 in 1996.

Still, it would seem that New Jersey-breds would be hard-pressed to maintain a viable restricted racing program. Wrong.

Assisted by a long-standing legislative mandate to put up one Jersey-bred race a day at each operating track and by booming purses for Monmouth Park's supercharged 2010 summer race meet, the Jersey-breds are prospering.

The Monmouth meet's 2010 numbers were impressive to say the least. Of 592 total races for the premier section of the meet, from late May through Labor Day, 110 races were restricted to Jersey-breds. The average purse for those races was a gaudy \$67,606, which beat the meet's \$65,746 overall average.

Even with a relatively small pool of runners, the Jersey-breds showed up in droves for their races. The average field size was 10.9, well ahead of the meet's excellent 9.3 average. The median field is 12, which means that more than half of the races offered a full gate and a packed menu of betting opportunities.

RACING PROGRAMS AT A GLANCE

Maryland

Source of state-bred overnight funds: No races
Mandated races: No

New Jersey

Source of state-bred overnight funds: Purse structure
Mandated races: One a day, required by law

New York

Source of state-bred overnight funds:
New York Thoroughbred Development Fund
Mandated races: No

Pennsylvania

Source of state-bred overnight funds: Purse structure
Mandated races: No

Virginia

Source of state-bred overnight funds:
Virginia Breeders Fund
Mandated races: No

West Virginia

Source of state-bred overnight funds:
West Virginia Thoroughbred Development Fund
Mandated races: One a day if horses and funds are available, required by law

The racing program was well balanced in all ways. The largest number of races was allowance races—36—followed by 32 maiden special weight races. Maiden claimers filled 23 races, straight claimers accounted for another 12 races, and two optional claimers were run. Four were stakes races, and one \$100,000 handicap took place.

The money certainly has its allure. The allowances carried an \$82,208 average purse, and the maiden special weights averaged \$78,562. The maiden claimers raced for a \$36,250 average pot.

"The purses were excellent, and the races filled well," said Mike Campbell, executive director of the Thoroughbred Breeders' Association of New Jersey.

For all New Jersey horsemen, the Monmouth meet was a welcome respite from the pall cast over the industry by Governor Chris Christie, who wants to sell off the race tracks and deny them any support from the state's casinos. Several legislators have pushed back

from Christie's draconian recommendations, and the state's horsemen are now working to develop a plan to assure that New Jersey racing and breeding have a future.

"People who are breeding horses here in 2010, the majority of them won't run until 2013, and they're not certain what will happen next year," Campbell said. "The one-race-a-day requirement [for New Jersey-breds] is important, but I think the long-term planning will be more important."

WEST VIRGINIA

Hollywood Casino at Charles Town Races runs a year-round racing program, and horses who are registered by the West Virginia Thoroughbred Breeders Association are a part of the menu.

A feature of the program is that horses who were bred elsewhere can be registered under the West Virginia Thoroughbred Development Fund's raiser program, which covers horses who were based in the state for at least a year begin-

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YEAR	MD	CHANGE	NJ	CHANGE	PA	CHANGE	VA	CHANGE	WV	CHANGE	NY	CHANGE
2008	694	-14.8%	290	-27.14%	1,391	9.4%	362	-10.6%	551	-17.1%	1,681	-7.9%
2007	815	-7.1%	398	20.61%	1,272	2.1%	405	6.3%	665	5.9%	1,825	-4.0%
2006	877	3.7%	330	-4.07%	1,246	-0.9%	381	-7.7%	628	-0.9%	1,901	-3.4%
2005	846	-6.4%	344	2.99%	1,257	27.7%	413	-2.8%	634	-1.7%	1,967	-2.9%
2004	904	-11.6%	334	-5.38%	984	-5.3%	425	-14.7%	645	31.9%	2,025	0.3%
2003	1,023	2.7%	353	-11.75%	1,039	19.0%	498	7.8%	489	20.4%	2,019	10.4%
2002	996	-12.2%	400	16.28%	873	-4.5%	462	-14.4%	406	8.8%	1,829	6.2%
2001	1,135	-6.4%	344	-18.10%	914	-1.0%	540	5.3%	373	30.0%	1,722	10.7%
2000	1,212	7.4%	420	4.48%	923	-5.6%	513	-16.4%	287	6.7%	1,556	12.1%
1999	1,128	1.5%	402	0.50%	978	6.5%	614	10.4%	269	40.8%	1,388	3.4%
1998	1,111	-6.3%	400	-3.38%	918	2.2%	556	7.5%	191	-1.5%	1,342	9.0%
1997	1,186	-0.3%	414	-8.81%	898	6.1%	517	-6.0%	194	11.5%	1,231	-2.0%
1996	1,189	3.7%	454	4.13%	846	14.9%	550	-6.6%	174	-9.4%	1,256	0.6%
1995	1,147	-1.0%	436	9.55%	736	-16.6%	589	-8.7%	192	-27.8%	1,248	4.9%
1994	1,159	-16.5%	398	-13.85%	882	0.6%	645	3.5%	266	-33.2%	1,190	-14.2%
1993	1,388	-5.6%	462	-10.64%	877	0.6%	623	-4.4%	398	-15.7%	1,387	-5.7%
1992	1,470	-14.0%	517	-3.36%	872	-0.5%	652	-12.7%	472	0.4%	1,471	-9.6%
1991	1,709	1.6%	535	-16.28%	876	-0.6%	747	-4.0%	470	-3.1%	1,627	-5.6%
1990	1,682	-6.7%	639	-22.45%	881	-9.3%	778	-12.4%	485	13.1%	1,724	-7.4%
1989	1,803	-1.6%	824	-14.17%	971	-4.4%	888	-6.1%	429	0.5%	1,862	-4.2%
1988	1,833	-11.7%	960	-15.79%	1,016	1.8%	946	-14.3%	427	25.2%	1,943	-2.9%
1987	2,075	3.9%	1,140	0.88%	998	-1.5%	1,104	-6.1%	341	-4.7%	2,000	-4.5%
1986	1,998	-1.4%	1,130	7.01%	1,013	1.9%	1,176	-2.2%	358	20.9%	2,095	3.6%
1985	2,026	2.9%	1,056	21.24%	994	-0.5%	1,202	-5.9%	296	46.5%	2,023	-2.0%
1984	1,969	7.5%	871	9.01%	999	3.4%	1,278	5.1%	202	14.1%	2,065	-2.4%
1983	1,831	8.0%	799	14.63%	966	9.6%	1,216	11.2%	177	18.0%	2,116	4.0%
1982	1,696	12.5%	697	12.42%	881	4.4%	1,094	4.2%	150	4.9%	2,034	6.6%
1981	1,508	7.5%	620	10.91%	844	4.1%	1,050	-2.7%	143	0.0%	1,908	32.2%
1980	1,403	3.8%	559	-4.77%	811	4.6%	1,079	-1.0%	143	-14.4%	1,443	36.8%
1979	1,351	-5.4%	587	-0.51%	775	8.8%	1,090	0.3%	167	-5.6%	1,055	57.0%
1978	1,428	-2.3%	590	2.97%	712	11.4%	1,087	-4.1%	177	9.9%	672	36.9%
1977	1,462	-4.8%	573	0.53%	639	0.6%	1,134	2.0%	161	8.8%	491	0.4%
1976	1,536	-0.1%	570	3.26%	635	14.0%	1,112	-0.1%	148	-2.6%	489	9.9%
1975	1,537	-1.0%	552	21.59%	557	16.0%	1,113	4.3%	152	1.3%	445	26.8%
1974	1,553	6.2%	454	15.52%	480	10.3%	1,067	4.8%	150	-4.5%	351	36.6%
1973	1,462	1.2%	393	7.97%	435	-1.8%	1,018	-1.9%	157	7.5%	257	-17.6%
1972	1,444	9.3%	364	4.60%	443	16.0%	1,038	5.9%	146	28.1%	312	12.2%
1971	1,321	4.6%	348	4.82%	382	-2.8%	980	-0.9%	114	26.7%	278	-1.8%
1970	1,263	-4.5%	332	-10.99%	393	10.1%	989	-7.7%	90	13.9%	283	-18.9%
CHANGE												
1970-2008		-45.1%		-12.7%		253.9%		-63.4%		512.2%		494.0%
CHANGE												
1999-2008		-38.5%		-27.9%		42.2%		-41.0%		104.8%		21.1%

ning in their foaling year. Also covered are horses sired by West Virginia-registered stallions. Thus, horses bred in Kentucky, Pennsylvania and Virginia, among other jurisdictions, can be eligible for the restricted races.

Looking at a snapshot of the Penn National Gaming Inc. track's schedule from June 20 through August 25, encom-

passing 42 programs and 377 races, at least one race for West Virginia-registered horses is written each day, and most have full fields.

The emphasis is on creating winners. Aside from four stakes races, each of which carried a \$50,000 base purse, and a number of claiming races, 39 restricted races were for maidens. Of those overnight

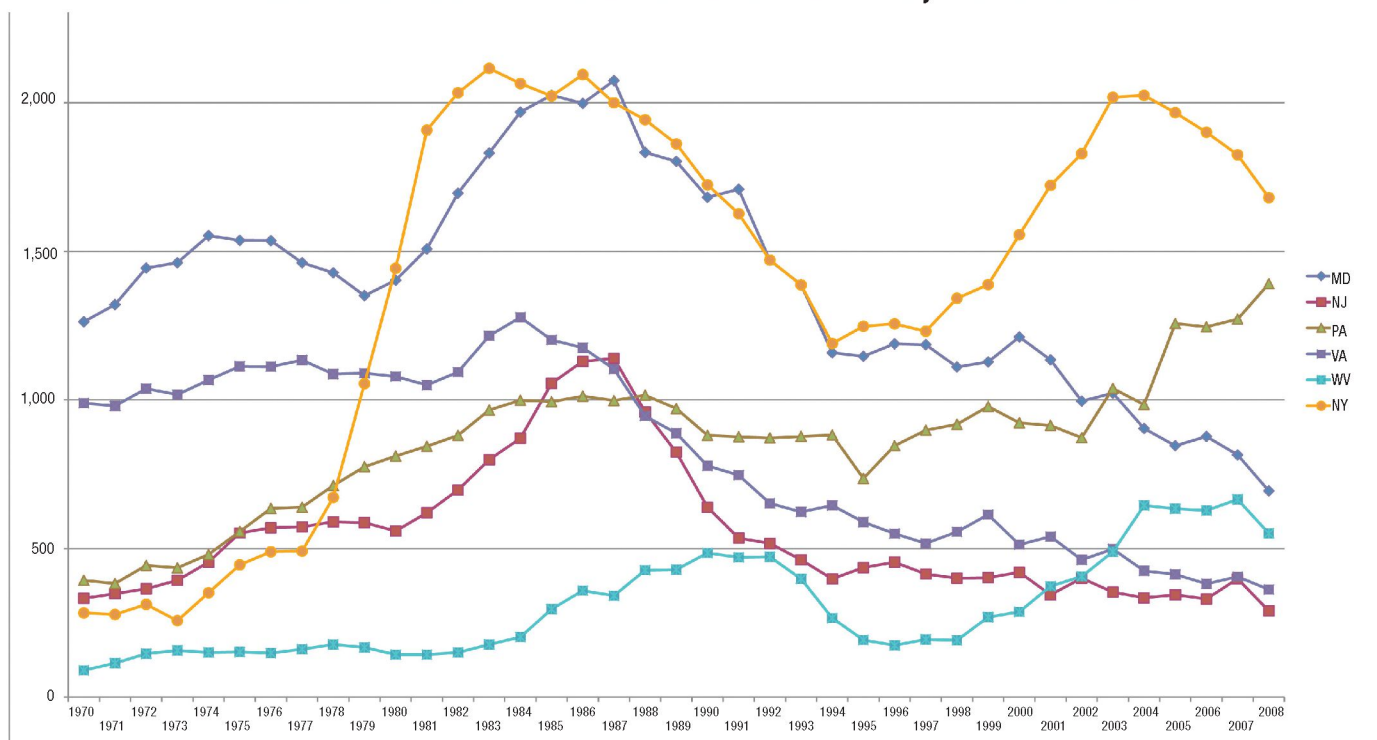
races, 21 were maiden claimers and 18 were maiden special weights.

The maiden claimers had a high concentration at the \$5,000 level—12—and each carried an \$11,000 purse in a highly symmetrical program. Four maiden claimers at the top \$16,000 tier each carried \$16,000 purses. The maiden claimers were run at distances from four and a

half furlongs to a mile and a sixteenth, and all were written for non-winners between the ages of 3 and 5. Ten of the 21 maiden claimers were restricted to fillies and mares.

The maiden allowances, each of which had a \$26,000 purse, offered somewhat broader conditions. Although a majority were limited to older competitors, five featured 2-year-olds,

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and two others were for 2-year-old fillies. All the overnight state-bred races filled nearly to capacity.

The state-bred stakes program, paid with development-fund money, covered a wide range of conditions, from 2-year-olds to horses 3 and older. Fast Break Racing Stable's Black Belt, a Prized gelding bred by O'Sullivan Farms, won the Robert G. Leavitt Stakes for 3-year-olds on August 7 and came back two weeks later to defeat older competitors in the Frank Gall Memorial Stakes.

VIRGINIA

For decades, Virginia's breeders have been sending their top products to races around the world, and half of Virginia Breeders Fund awards go to breeders and owners whose horses win at any U.S. track. One prominent Virginia-bred receiving those awards is Edward Evans's homebred Quality Road, winner of the Donn and Metropolitan Handicaps and Woodward Stakes (all Grade 1) this year.

The other half of the Virginia Breeders Fund supports races for registered Virginia-

breeds in the state. For its 2010 meet, Colonial Downs staged 14 Virginia-bred races, four of which were stakes races. Purses totaled \$374,500, including \$200,000 in stakes purses.

Two were \$5,000 claimers, and the remainder of the races created new Virginia-bred winners. Five maiden special weight races, each worth \$26,800, were for horses 3 and older, and two of them were limited to fillies and mares. Three \$16,000 maiden claimers, each with a purse of \$13,500, also were for runners 3 and older. The state-bred races averaged 6.2 starters.

The state's pool of runners has been shrinking with its foal crop. Virginia-bred runners totaled 692 last year, down 46.9 percent from 1996. The 2008 foal crop was 362, down 33.1 percent from 1996.

MARYLAND

Long a leader in breeding programs, Maryland was the first state to create an incentive program (in 1962), and it pioneered state-sired racing programs with the Maryland Million in 1986.

With a share of the wagering handle at Pimlico Race Course, Laurel Park and Timonium, the Maryland Fund provides purses for Maryland-bred stakes races and pays out breeder, owner and stallion awards. It does not support overnight state-bred races. The last Maryland-bred overnight race was run in 1981; at that point, owner bonuses were instituted.

The state's ability to marshal a state-bred overnight program in the current environment might encounter a demographic challenge. The 2008 foal crop was 694, down 38.5 percent from 1999 and two-thirds off the peak of 2,075 in 1987. Maryland-bred runners totaled 1,939 last year, off 40.2 percent from 3,243 in 1996.

CONCLUSION

Practically from the first time that a race was restricted to horses from one jurisdiction, state-bred races have kindled controversy and debate. One argument for them is that they help the small-scale breeder and owner to stay in the sport. One win by one horse will not pay for a stable, but it will defray some of the annual

expenses and will allow an industry investor to stay in the game for a while longer.

Critics always have contended that state-bred programs, whether for stakes races or overnight races, reward mediocrity. They argue that the circle within a circle that state-bred races represent should be broken, and horses should determine their economic value in open company. They argue that the quality of the racing product should always come first, although they are mindful that shutting down state-bred racing might run some investors out of the business.

New York's experience provides evidence that state-bred programs can benefit both breeders and the racing product, although the process takes much money, many years, and lots of horses. Pennsylvania has everything but the years, and the debate over whether the state should move toward a full-blown state-bred program similar to New York's is highly divisive. It is a debate that very likely will continue for years and years, in Pennsylvania and throughout the region. ★

Hall of Famer outdoes himself at Saratoga

The old-timers used to say the key to handicapping Saratoga steeplechase races involved a two-word instruction: Bet Sheppard.

The adage rang true in the 1970s as Jonathan Sheppard built a powerful stable of jumpers including Cafe Prince and Leaping Frog, stayed strong in the 1980s with the likes

of Double Reefed, Summer Colony and Flatterer, kept rolling in the 1990s with Mistico (Chi) and Yaw, zoomed into the 2000s with Ninepins (GB), Mixed Up and It's a Giggle—and in the first year of yet another decade—added an exclamation point.

The Hall of Fame trainer won the first four steeplechas-

es of the meet, all for longtime client Bill Pape, to wrest control of the 2010 National Steeplechase Association trainers' race and build on a career that already makes most witnesses simply shake their head.

Sheppard won the opener, the restricted Jonathan Kiser Novice Stakes (July 29), with Sermon of Love, captured the Grade 2 A.P. Smithwick Memorial (August 5) with homebred Divine Fortune, added an optional claimer (August 12) with another homebred, Lead Us Not, and brought back Sermon of Love to take the Grade 1 New York Turf Writers Cup (August 26).

The jump race set for August 19 failed to fill and was canceled, though Sheppard certainly had a runner or two aimed. In addition to the four

wins, Sheppard's horses collected three seconds, a third and two fourths.

The skein made Pape and Sheppard take stock.

"We've been doing this 43 years and have just been so lucky, but of course you can't underestimate the man that trains them," said Pape, who campaigned Hall of Fame jumper Flatterer and is the co-breeder of numerous stars with Sheppard. "I'm just along for the ride, and he provides a great trip. He studies everything about the horses; I just like to watch him do his job sometimes."

Sheppard's far-reaching stable includes flat and steeplechase horses on the farm in Pennsylvania, Springdale Training Center in Camden, S.C., Presque Isle Downs and Dela-



Pennsylvania-bred Divine Fortune (Danielle Hodsdon) bounded to the lead at the final hurdle of the A.P. Smithwick Memorial-NSA2 to score another for Jonathan Sheppard.

ware Park. The small string at Saratoga gets the direct attention of Sheppard and assistant/steeplechase jockey Danielle Hodsdon, and this year it included everything from 2-year-olds to flat champions Forever Together and Informed Decision and the grizzled steeplechase veterans. They all get a watchful eye, customized training programs and chances to shine.

"It means quite a lot, certainly," said Sheppard. "I like to feel like I've been at a consistent level for a long time, even though I'm a little long in the tooth. I have experience to make up for that, and I have some very good young people helping me. That's a very big part of it. They work their butts off and I'm as happy for them as I am for myself."

The \$75,000 A.P. Smithwick Memorial annually showcases the open stakes horses at Saratoga. Long considered a prep for the \$100,000 New York Turf Writers Cup three weeks later, the race stands on its own as a summer target with a roster of winners including Lonesome Glory, Warm Spell, Praise the Prince (NZ), Census, Mixed Up and others.

Sheppard brought out a solid trio coming from various directions. The Price of Love made his first start in more than a year. Arcadius exited a third in the grueling, three-mile Iroquois-NSA1 in May. Divine Fortune came in off a middling fourth in the David L. (Zeke) Ferguson Memorial-NSA3 at Colonial Downs—a race that was either an ideal prep or a dull effort.

Definitely choice one.

Rated behind pacemaker and favorite Slip Away throughout, the 7-year-old son of Royal Anthem swept toward the front on the final turn, took over at the last fence, and won by three-quarters of a length with Hodsdon aboard. Arcadius rallied late to nip Slip Away for the second spot. Bred in Pennsylvania by Pape and Sheppard, Divine Fortune bounced from the Ferguson to a strong workout on the Oklahoma turf course at Saratoga three days before the Smithwick. The rangy chestnut covered six furlongs in 1:12.20 in a move planned for five furlongs but clocked for six because of a strong gallop-out.

"A work like that gets him pumped, so he's ready and he's in the bridle," Sheppard said.

"He knows it's a race. He knows he's got to go to work. At Colonial, he was off the bridle. The reins were dangling halfway through the race. I said that we needed a good sharp work before this race. He got it."

Divine Fortune confirmed the promise he showed as a young horse. He broke his hurdle maiden at 4 in 2007, added a flat score at Colonial Downs in his next start, then won back-to-back races that summer—an allowance at Saratoga and the Grade 2 Somerset Medical Center Hurdle Stakes at the Meadowlands. A bowed tendon sidelined him for two years, but he returned with a rusty fifth at Montpelier last fall. Before Saratoga, the 2010 campaign included a second in the Grade 2 Carolina Cup in March, a lopsided allowance



Jonathan Sheppard-trained Sermon of Love (blinkers) captured the New York Turf Writers Cup-NSA1 for his second consecutive stakes win under rider Brian Crowley.

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win at Block House in April, and a third in the Grade 3 Marcellus Frost in May.

He nearly fell early in the Smithwick, shaking up the crowd with a mistake at the sixth of nine fences. Sheppard had turned his binoculars to Arcadius deeper in the field, but watched the replay and shuddered.

"Oh no, he put in an extra [stride]. He nearly fell. I'm glad I didn't see it," he said. "I saw him take off, but I didn't see him land because I wanted to watch our other two. I heard Tom Durkin say there was a miscue, but I just saw it out of the corner of my eye. A lot of times that can stop a horse. He was pretty brave to get back into it."

Hodsdon said her horse forgot about the mistake quickly.

"I asked him something a little bit ridiculous. He corrected himself really well. As

soon as he refilled the bridle, I just kept him on it and he was fine. He over-jumped the next one, that's all," she said. "I knew as soon as he got one, he'd be okay. The last came up the same, that long one. I said, 'There's no way I should ask for that; I really don't want to put him on the deck here.' I saw this beautiful long spot, but I thought if I don't get this I'm screwed. I better sit still. He would have gotten up easier if I had gotten that spot."

Divine Fortune didn't need it; he efficiently jumped the last and had plenty left for stable-mate Arcadius to complete a \$27.60 in-the-barn exacta while getting the two and one-sixteenth miles in 3:58.98.

Divine Fortune tried to turn the rare Smithwick-Turf Writers double three weeks later and came up short—the feat hasn't been done since 1999 when Campanile managed it for trainer Janet Elliot.

Understudy Sermon of Love filled in nicely, however.

Rallying after the last fence, the 7-year-old son of Pulpit scored by a length over Arcadius with longshot early leader Swagger Stick third. The winner needed 4:36.83 to cover the two and three-eighths miles as the even-money favorite while coupled with Divine Fortune, who finished fourth. Irishman Brian Crowley, who spent most of the summer working on Sheppard's farm in Pennsylvania, handled the winner.

Racing on four weeks rest, Sermon of Love found a perfect spot between the front-runners and the closers before going after Swagger Stick in the stretch. The third all-Sheppard exacta of the meet returned \$14.40.

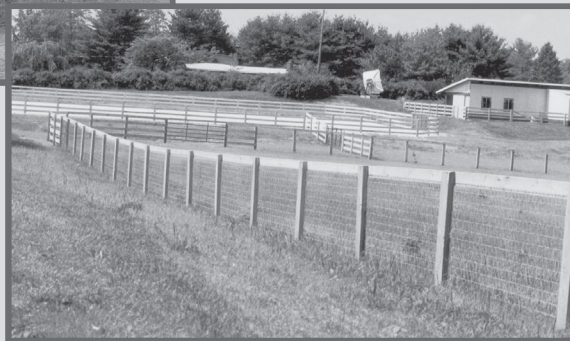
"I was delighted the whole way. He traveled well, jumped great the whole way, had a clear view of the fences and

the obstacles," Crowley said. "I was delighted turning into the straight—if nothing came from behind I had the race at my mercy. It's mind-blowing, to ride three winners and a second from four rides. I rode a nice few winners at home in Ireland and England, but this is all smiles. There are so many people to thank."

And a few nice horses as well.

Sermon of Love followed a multi-stop career path to steeplechase glory. Out of \$781,763-earner Plenty of Sugar, he was bred in Kentucky by noted Pennsylvania owner and racing official Fitz Dixon. The bay gelding lost four flat starts—one with John Fisher and three with Tim Keefe—before joining Jack Fisher's barn as a 3-year-old hurdle prospect. He won the Raymond Woolfe Memorial in 2006, then went to the sales ring at Keeneland as part of the Dixon

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estate's dispersal in 2007. Florida-based horseman Danny Pate spent \$62,000 to buy the then 4-year-old, who was later sold to Sheppard client Calvin Houghland. When Houghland died last year, Pate bought Sermon of Love.

All the while, Sermon of Love hinted at decent things without looking like a future star. He worked strongly in the mornings. He lost 15 consecutive races. He won an allowance hurdle at Penn National in July 2009 and backed that up with a maiden flat win at Saratoga. He finished second in the 2009 Turf Writers. He lost a race by 51 lengths to start 2010.

Sheppard went to blinkers at Saratoga, and Sermon of Love responded.

"I've never thought of him as really a top horse, more a mid-division horse. He is quite fast. He does work as well as any of our other jumpers, possibly even better," Sheppard said. "He's not particularly big. He's a little washy and not a hundred percent genuine. The blinkers helped, and the rider is on fire."

Sheppard's jumpers spent time at the farm and Saratoga between summer starts with Sermon of Love and Arcadius putting in their final tune-ups on the Pennsylvania gallops. Divine Fortune came back to Saratoga a week early and finished his workout regimen on the Oklahoma training track. Rain shelved a potential turf work three days out and the horse was forced to work a slow half mile on the dirt.

"I wish we didn't have such a slow work on Monday with Divine Fortune, because he was just a little flat early. He needs to be in the clear and closer. He was too far back and tucked on the inside. He ran a pretty darn game race considering all that," Sheppard said. "You could probably run the race in three weeks and our three horses might finish in a different order."

Sermon of Love won for the fourth time in 25 career

steeplechase starts while lifting his jump earnings to \$232,222.

On August 12, the exacta players collected again as Sheppard horses Lead Us Not and Parker's Project finished one-two in a \$53,000 optional claiming hurdle. Dismissed at better than 6-1 each, though uncoupled in the wagering, the duo returned \$91 for the \$2 exacta.

Lead Us Not (Crowley) set the pace early while getting mild pressure from Riddle and a rank Saluda Sam. On the final turn, Riddle took over and was followed by Parker's Project past the early leader. The trio jumped the last in that order, until Lead Us Not swung to the center of the turf course and re-rallied to claim the victory in 3:52.28 for two and a sixteenth miles. Grantor rallied late for third.

"That was a nice surprise because he's been a little disappointing," said Sheppard after-

ward. "He looked like a nice horse as a novice, when he was young, but he's never really recaptured that form. I always kind of felt that he had it in him to do better, and he just put it together today."

Now 8, Lead Us Not began his career on the flat, making his debut for a \$25,000 claiming price at Colonial Downs in 2006. He won over jumps late that year and lost four flat starts in 2007. At the end of that season he finished second in the U.S. Championship Supreme Hurdle Stakes-NSA1.

He won his first start of 2008, and then just missed in his next, before going to the sidelines from May 2008 to September 2009. His two starts in 2009 were both dull, as were his first two of 2010—thirds at Camden in March and Nashville in May.

Like Divine Fortune, Lead Us Not is a homebred by Royal Anthem.

NOTES

Grade 1 winner Dark Equation was retired after an ankle injury flared up during preparations for the Turf Writers. Peggy Steinman's 9-year-old won the 2008 Turf Writers and three other races over jumps (and two on the flat) en route to \$344,525 in lifetime earnings. Named Pennsylvania-bred champion jumper of 2008, the son of Polish Numbers will retire to trainer Doug Fout's Virginia farm. . . The Far Hills Races, worth \$500,000 in prize money, once again highlight the fall steeplechase season on October 23 in Far Hills, N.J. The Jersey meet includes the \$250,000 Grand National for open stakes horses and \$100,000 Foxbrook for novices. ★



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DUKE OF MISCHIEF RULES IN MONMOUTH PARK'S ISELIN STAKES-G3

RYAN GOLDBERG

The betting public can be fickle. For the \$300,000 Philip H. Iselin Stakes-G3 on August 21, **Duke of Mischief** was widely disregarded at odds of 16-1 in a field of six. Yet he had warranted odds of 6-1 in the Stephen Foster Handicap-G1 only two months earlier, while facing the nation's top handicap horse on dirt, Blame.

Duke of Mischief, with graded wins this year in the Oaklawn Handicap-G2 and off-the-turf Fort Lauderdale Stakes-G3 at Gulfstream, added another with a convincing score in the Iselin, the second of Monmouth's two graded stakes for older horses on the main track. He finished second in the first—the Salvator Mile-G3 on July 3—after a quick turnaround from his eighth-place Foster finish. Provided a welcome rest by trainer David Fawkes, Duke of Mischief returned sharp.

Most of the betting action in the Iselin went to 11-10 favorite Redding Colliery, a big-figure winner of the Lone Star Park Handicap-G3, and 3-2 second choice I Want Revenge, last year's Wood Memorial-G1 winner. Gone Astray, the Salvator winner, also garnered support.

But Eibar Coa, Duke of Mischief's regular pilot, believed he held the best hand. His confidence was amplified by the break. A skittish Redding Colliery unnerved I Want Revenge, who hopped in the air at the start. Redding Colliery pressed longshot Our Edge through a moderate pace,



Duke of Mischief, a two-time graded winner earlier this season, was an overlay at odds of 26-1 for his victory in the Philip H. Iselin Stakes-G3.



J.H. Richmond-Watson's Tottie (GB) powered past frontrunning Speak Easy Gal to score by a neck in the Omnibus Stakes for trainer Chad Brown.



No Such Word captured the Monmouth Oaks-G3, giving trainers Cindy and Larry Jones an unprecedented three consecutive victories in the race.

and Joe Bravo sent an eager I Want Revenge close behind.

Duke of Mischief had the garden trip in fourth along the rail—a place Fawkes said the colt does not like—but Coa guided him outside into the final turn. Duke of Mischief swept past I Want Revenge and then Redding Colliery. He covered nine furlongs in 1:51.15 and finished two and a quarter lengths in front of the favorite. I Want Revenge finished another four lengths back.

“Going down the backside, I got a little nervous because he was still on the inside,” Fawkes said, “but [Coa] said he was just biding his time. This horse likes to get an outside trip; he doesn’t like to be on the inside, but he prevailed today.”

Fawkes owns part of Duke of Mischief, along with his breeder, Marilyn McMaster, and Alex and Joann Lieblong. The 4-year-old Florida-bred colt, by Graeme Hall out of the Real Courage mare My Lady Amelia, is approaching millionaire status, with earnings of \$910,642.

The Omnibus Stakes for fillies and mares on the Iselin undercard covered 11 furlongs on the grass, but what mattered were the final yards.

Favorite Speak Easy Gal and jockey Elvis Trujillo nearly pulled off the difficult task of wiring the field. They looked clear in deep stretch, but Alan Garcia dragged second choice **Tottie (GB)** to the outside after she lugged in behind horses near the sixteenth pole, and she furiously charged down the center of the course to catch Speak Easy Gal by a neck. Her task had looked impossible.

“This filly has a tendency to lug in a little bit in the lane and Alan did a great job of correcting her,” said Chad Brown, who trains Tottie for J.H. Richmond-Watson. “He made all the difference.”

Tottie had closed rapidly to finish a close third in the Matchmaker Stakes-G3 on

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Haskell Day. The two additional furlongs of the Omnibus obviously helped her. The Fantastic Light 4-year-old filly, out of Katy Nowaittee, began her career in Great Britain, where she contested the English Oaks-G1 after finishing third in the Oaks Trial, then joined Brown's stable at the end of last year. She won her first two American starts, including the Suwannee River Stakes-G3, at Gulfstream Park.

The Jones team of wife Cindy and husband Larry achieved an unprecedented three-peat in the \$200,000 Monmouth Oaks-G3 on August 14. Their **No Such Word** joined previous winners Maren's Meadow (2008) and Just Jenda (2009). Larry trained those two, but No Such Word is under the care of Cindy, who officially took over from her husband after he retired last year.

The Oaks once attracted the best of its division but its prestige has faded over the last decade. This edition drew a competitive field of six, led by No Such Word and Seeking the Title, both Grade 3 winners. Those two figured to have the best trip from their outside posts, as those to their inside were dedicated frontrunners.

Terry Thompson, No Such Word's rider, allowed that pace scenario to unfold as he kept his filly in fourth, trailing about five lengths down the backstretch. Thompson sent No Such Word widest of four into the final turn, and she kicked clear by three lengths at the eighth pole.

Thompson's decision to move early proved the difference. Julien Leparoux, aboard Seeking the Title, had waited too long and they closed in vain, finishing a length and a half behind the winner. C C's Pal finished another eight lengths behind. No Such Word covered a mile and a sixteenth on a fast main track in 1:45.10.

Former Kentucky governor Brereton C. Jones bred and



Local hero Out of Respect won a hotly contested edition of the Select Stakes, pulling away to a length and a quarter victory over Comedero.



Get Serious delivered another stellar frontrunning performance in the Oceanport Stakes-G3, defeating Violon Sacre by a neck.



Trainer Gregg Sacco unleashed 41-1 longshot Unbridled Essence to a gutsy victory in the Matchmaker Stakes-G3. Quiet Meadow got up for second.

owns No Such Word, who is by Canadian Frontier out of the It's Freezing mare Muskoka Ice. For the Joneses, the Oaks was a welcome detour from facing Blind Luck, the best in the division. No Such Word had finished behind her in the Fantasy Stakes-G2 at Oaklawn, and the Delaware Oaks-G2.

The \$100,000 six-furlong Select Stakes on August 8 drew a small field of five but the caliber of competition was high. Two of the best 3-year-old sprinters in the country squared off: the Michael Stidham shipper, Arkansas-bred gelding Comedero, undefeated in eight sprints, and local standout **Out of Respect**, second to Discreetly Mine in the Jersey Shore Stakes-G3.

"I didn't think there was any horse in the Eastern seaboard that could beat this horse," trainer Scott Volk said of his Out of Respect before the race. "Now I don't know."

Volk, however, was right. Comedero, the 1-2 favorite, and Out of Respect, at 2-1, had shown unbridled speed in every start. Like a drag race between hot rods, they went at each other until one blinked. That turned out to be Comedero.

Out of Respect, with Paco Lopez, and Comedero, with Robby Albarado, posted the fastest main-track splits of the meet—:21.59 and :43.75—but neither showed signs of relenting. At the top of the stretch, Out of Respect put a head in front of Comedero, a new experience for the undefeated sprinter, and he couldn't come back. Out of Respect gradually pulled away and won by a length and a quarter. His final time was 1:10.07, a sharp clocking for what has been a slow main track.

JMJ Racing Stables, the nom de course of Dennis Narlinger, owns Out of Respect, a New York homebred by Read the Footnotes out of the Diablo mare Val's Diablo. It was his fourth win in seven starts

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and he has never been worse than second. The Select win boosted his career earnings to \$197,620.

Lookin At Lucky was naturally the star of Haskell Day, on August 1, but in the \$200,000 Oceanport Stakes-G3 one race before, **Get Serious** showed once again why he is the most captivating animal on the grounds.

His courage and desire have few equals. Passed momentarily by Violon Sacre between calls in the stretch, the 6-year-old City Zip gelding, with regular rider Pablo Fragoso urging him, determinedly battled back and denied Violon Sacre by a neck. As is his custom, he set the pace all the way. It was another stirring win for Get Serious over Monmouth's turf course—his ninth in 12 starts—and a victorious return from his respectable fifth-place showing in the United Nations-G1 in July.

Get Serious won the Oceanport last year when it came off the turf. This repeat was his third win of the meet, following victories in a money allowance and the Monmouth Stakes-G3.

"He just loves this race track and loves to win," said trainer John Forbes, who picked up his record fifth Oceanport Stakes. "In the stretch, I was probably as nervous as I've ever been with this horse, but he just digs in."

Get Serious, a New York-bred out of the Java Gold mare Java Gal, earned \$120,000 for owners J.M. Dinan, J.J. Moore and Phantom House Farm, bringing his lifetime tally to \$880,691.

Gregg Sacco, a third-generation New Jersey horseman, always aims for a win on the Haskell undercard. It is like his Kentucky Derby. So while his horses are worth watching that day, it was still difficult to predict Sacco's win in the \$200,000 Matchmaker Stakes-G3 with Red Oak Stable's 41-1 longshot **Unbridled Essence**.



Blue Star Stable's Lady Alexander affirmed her fondness for the Monmouth track, drawing clear over favorite D'wild Ride in the Regret Stakes.



Ace sprinter Roaring Lion, a Maryland-bred son of Lion Hearted, captured the Teddy Drone Stakes for his second consecutive Monmouth stakes score.



"He sure seems to have found a home on turf," said trainer Todd Pletcher after Roger Weiss's Hudson Steele captured the Jersey Derby.

With Paco Lopez aboard, **Unbridled Essence** stayed close to the pace and made the lead in deep stretch, then resolutely held on as Chad Brown trainees Quiet Meadow and Tottie closed rapidly. Lopez moved first, though, and **Unbridled Essence** held on by a half length. She covered nine furlongs in 1:47.97 over a firm turf course in the race for fillies and mares.

Cherokee Queen, the 2-1 favorite in a field of 11, bobbled after the break and tossed jockey Elvis Trujillo.

Unbridled Essence had won her last start—a second-level allowance—but had finished ninth in one previous graded stakes appearance. Sacco credited added maturation from age 3 to 4 for her newfound success.

"We gave her the winter off," Sacco said. "She came back bigger and stronger. In her first start back, she finished just behind Queen Martha, who gave Rachel Alexandra a race here last week. In her last start, she ran her eyeballs out."

Sacco said the win was special because Steve Brunetti, partners in Red Oak with his father, John, bred **Unbridled Essence**, a pairing of **Essence of Dubai** and the **Unbridled** mare **Unbridled Waters**.

Like **Get Serious**, Blue Star Stable's **Lady Alexander** affirmed her love of Monmouth on Haskell Day. Her victory came in the \$150,000 six-furlong Regret Stakes for fillies and mares.

After chasing a swift pace, jockey Carlos Marquez Jr. sent Lady Alexander to the outside of D'wild Ride, the 5-2 favorite, with two furlongs left and she drew clear of that rival near the sixteenth pole. She spurted home a length and three-quarters on top and covered the distance in 1:09.92. Rated Feisty finished third.

For Lady Alexander, a 4-year-old filly by Exchange Rate out of the Housebuster

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mare Lady Ironwood, this was her fifth win in seven local starts, plus second stakes triumph of the meet. Following that win, in the Red Cross Stakes, trainer Bruce Alexander shipped her to Belmont Park, where she finished fourth in the Bed o' Roses Handicap-G3 on July 5.

"She loves this track," the trainer said. "Sometimes I question myself why I run some place else. Just before her last race, she worked really fast, and then ran fourth. That scared me enough that this time I chose not to work her at all."

At age 6, Mike Repole's **Roaring Lion** is as sharp as ever, and with his second consecutive Monmouth stakes win, in the \$150,000 Teddy Drone Stakes on August 1, the gelding figures to move on to greater assignments in the sprint division.

Roaring Lion, sent off the 9-5 favorite, left the gate quickly but his rider Eddie Castro wrangled him back. They stalked the pace and went after the leaders three-wide midway into the turn. At the top of the stretch he opened up a lead that extended to a length and a half over the late closer He's So Chic. Uncle Gidge finished a head behind. Roaring Lion covered six furlongs in 1:09.59.

Buckingham Farm in Chestertown, Md., bred Roaring Lion, a son of Lion Hearted out of the Horatius mare Smartly. He won the 2006 Maryland Juvenile Championship Stakes for Buckingham owner Binnie Houghton and her late husband, Eddie, and was claimed from them by Repole Stable for \$25,000 at Philadelphia Park in November 2007, while making his first start for a price. He was turned over to Bruce Levine to train in 2009.

The Teddy Drone was Roaring Lion's fifth win in nine starts for Levine, including the 2009 Maryland Million Sprint Handicap. This year he also won the Mr. Prospector Stakes



Stonestreet Stables LLC's Omniscient got his first stakes score in the Majestic Light Stakes. Steve Asmussen trains the 4-year-old Pulpit colt.

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in July and finished second in Pimlico's Maryland Sprint Handicap-G3 on Preakness Day.

In the \$150,000 Jersey Derby, also run on August 1, Roger J. Weiss's **Hudson Steele** went to the post for only the third time on grass. But his future there looks bright.

Closing from nearly last in the field of eight, jockey Jose Lezcano swung Hudson Steele wide around the turn and with push-button acceleration he rushed past English shipper Audacity of Hope (GB) and They Call Me Giant.

Hudson Steele's margin of victory was two and a quarter lengths. A gelded son of Johannesburg out of the Smart Strike mare Strike the Sky, he covered a mile and a sixteenth in 1:41.07.

Hudson Steele broke his maiden on turf in June, and before the Jersey Derby placed second in a grass stakes at Indiana Downs.

"He sure seems to have found a home on turf," trainer Todd Pletcher said. "He was more professional today. Last time in Indiana he made the lead and didn't seem to know what to do. Today, he had a good trip and came with one run."

Haskell Day also featured the \$150,000 Majestic Light Stakes, at a mile and a sixteenth for 3-year-olds and up. Stonestreet Stables LLC's **Omniscient** fended off stakes winner Cool Coal Man from the five-sixteenths pole to the eighth pole and then pulled away to win by two lengths. Arson Squad, a multiple graded stakes winner and 9-5 favorite,

stumbled at the start and finished a non-threatening fifth.

Steve Asmussen trains Omniscient, a 4-year-old son of Pulpit out of the Noactor mare Actceptional. It was the gelding's first stakes victory. He covered the distance in 1:43.31.

In a day filled with outstanding performances, one of the most memorable originated outside of stakes company. In the sixth race, a six-furlong maiden special weight for fillies and mares, **Erin Rose** turned heads with a nearly 11-length win in her career debut. She split rivals four-wide down the backstretch and found herself in front by six turning for home. Her time of 1:10.17—set while in hand the whole stretch—was only fractions slower than Lady Alexander and Roaring Lion later in the day.

Christophe Clement trains Erin Rose for Waterford Stable. Indications of her readiness could be deduced from a swift work tab over Saratoga's deep Oklahoma track, including a bullet 36-second three-furlong breeze on July 27.

Bred in Maryland by John and Margaret Crane, Erin Rose, a daughter of Purge out of the Kris S. mare Jewel of the East, was a \$50,000 Keeneland September sales yearling who subsequently sold for \$110,000 at the 2009 Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's March sale of 2-year-olds in training. ★

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JUAN VAZQUEZ VAULTS TO TOP AT DELAWARE PARK

LINDA DOUGHERTY

Owner Florence Patitucci and trainer Juan Vazquez enjoyed a profitable week in early August, visiting the winner's circle six times from August 4 through August 11.

The win parade kicked off with three winners on the nine-race August 4 card: Ma Rainey in the first, Run for Shelter in the fourth and Shamroge in the fifth.

The next day, Vazquez tightened the girth on Bancroft, and on August 9 he saddled Private Sale; Today's Man completed the skein on August 11.

The victories helped to cement Vazquez's number one spot in the trainers' standings. Through racing of August 23, he had 46 wins from 159 starts, 15 better than Scott Lake and 19 more than Brad Cox. Last year, he finished fifth among Delaware Park trainers.

Vazquez, 35, is a native of Buenos Aires, Argentina, and he began his life with Thoroughbreds in that country.

"My family had horses when I was growing up, but not race horses," he said. "When I was young, maybe 11 or 12 years old, I used to ride all the time, and one day a trainer saw me and suggested I go to jockey school. My father didn't want me to, but I did go and rode for several years until I got too heavy to ride."

Vazquez may be too heavy to be a jockey, but he gets on his horses in the morning and feels it gives him a big advantage.

Currently, Vazquez has 53 horses under his care, with 31 of them owned by Patitucci and her husband, John. He said



Mike Trombetta-trained Sweeter Still (Ire) prevailed by a length and three-quarters in the Light Hearted Stakes, her fourth career stakes win.

John Patitucci is very active with him at auction sales.

While currently Vazquez's bread-and-butter are claiming horses, he has been known to train some allowance and stakes types. He earned his first career stakes victory with 2-year-old filly Ms Vanenza in the \$75,000 Blue Hen Stakes at Delaware Park last October.

David J. Lanzman Racing Stable Inc. and Jason Wood's Sweeter Still (Ire) added her fourth career stakes win in the \$50,000 Light Hearted Stakes on August 7.

From the barn of Michael Trombetta, who took over her training in May, the 5-year-old daughter of Rock of Gibraltar (Ire) sat close to the pace set by Fareena, then made a bold move coming out of the turn. Under Jeremy Rose, she opened up a two and a half-length lead in midstretch and had enough left to hold off the rallying Aaroness. Final time for the seven and a half furlongs on turf was 1:29.99.

As a 3-year-old in California with trainer Jeff Mullins, Sweeter Still won three added-money events, including the Grade 3 Senorita Stakes at Hollywood Park. She was also second in the Providencia Stakes-G2 at Santa Anita and third in the Honeymoon Handicap-G2 at Hollywood Park.

Her last win prior to the Light Hearted came in the \$80,000 Sandy Blue Handicap at Del Mar on August 15, 2008. Sweeter Still now has a career record of five wins from 15 starts, and earnings of \$308,211.

Edward P. Evans's homebred Quiet Giant scored an impressive victory on August 9 in an allowance race at one mile, 70 yards, blowing away seven rivals by 10¼ lengths under jockey Fernando Jara.

Trained by Todd Pletcher, the 3-year-old daughter of Giant's Causeway entered the event off a win at Philadelphia Park at July 2, but was sent off as third choice behind Sweet Dahlia and St. Vickie's Charm. Jara put the bay Virginia-bred on the lead when the gates opened and she was never seriously challenged, turning for home with nearly a six-length advantage and widening to the wire. She was timed in a fleet 1:40.99, just about a second off the track record.

Quiet Giant's pedigree is just as impressive as the win. Not only is she by one of the world's best sires, she is out of Quiet Dance (by Quiet American), thus a half-sister to 2005 Horse of the Year Saint Liam, graded stakes winner Congressional honor and graded stakes-placed American Dance.

Earlier in the month, another Evans homebred, Tap Night, scored by a head in a maiden special weight. The Anthony Dutrow trainee had also last raced at Philadelphia Park—when second for a \$40,000 tag—but was ready to roll on August 3 at Delaware. Chasing pacesetter Twelve Inches the entire mile and 70-yard test, he ground down the lead through the stretch under jockey Jeremy Rose to just get past in the shadow of the wire, in a time of 1:42.14. It was 14 lengths back to the third-place horse.

Tap Night earned \$23,400 for his effort. The 3-year-old colt by Pleasant Tap is out of Day Mate, by Dayjur, thus a full brother to Tap Day, a six-time stakes winner of \$784,897 who captured the 2005 Meadowlands Breeders' Cup Stakes-G2 and was Grade 1-placed for Evans.

Brushwood Stable's Mesa Sunrise sizzled six furlongs in 1:09.53 in winning an allowance on August 14 under jockey Brian Hernandez Jr. for Dutrow. Dispatched as the favorite in the field of six, Mesa Sunrise had finished third in his most recent start at Saratoga on July 25.

Although he encountered some crowding at the start, the son of Sky Mesa was unhurried by Hernandez, and he ranged up to sit a close third in the opening half mile behind Blue Notion. Coming off the turn he swung wide, wrested the lead from that rival, and drew off handily down the lane, winning by five and a quarter lengths.

The victory was the third from 10 starts for Mesa Sunrise, and the 4-year-old colt has now earned \$126,820.

Brushwood, the Malvern, Pa., establishment of Elizabeth Moran, purchased Mesa Sunrise for \$800,000 at the Fasig-Tipton Florida Calder sale of 2-year-olds in training. His dam, Bashful Charmer (by Capote),

is a stakes winner and stakes producer from the family of Grade 1 winners Unbridled's Song and Seattle Song.

I'm Steppin' It Up, a 2-year-old colt by leading freshman sire Congrats, dominated six rivals in an off-the-turf maiden special weight at a mile and 70 yards on August 16.

Sent off as the slight favorite over George and Lori Hall's Revelator, I'm Steppin' It Up broke like a shot from his

inside post position, seized the lead, and never looked back. With jockey Anna Napravnik in the irons, the chestnut had a two and a half-length lead after three-quarters of a mile, and extended that to eight lengths in upper stretch. Without any urging, he turned on the after-burners and blazed under the wire 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ lengths in front of Revelator, who lagged in fifth early and made a run to get up for second money.

I'm Steppin' It Up, trained by Anthony Pecoraro for owner Roman Hill Farm LLC, was bred in Florida by Thomas L. Croley. He debuted at Delaware Park on May 29 and finished sixth, then made his next start on the grass at Belmont Park, finishing second.

The second foal out of the Thunder Gulch mare Cindy Woo Who, I'm Steppin' It Up is a half-brother to \$216,250-

earner Thunder Brew, a three-time stakes winner in 2010.

Through live racing of August 23, jockey **Anna Napravnik** was atop the jockeys' standings and on track to become the first woman to take the Delaware riding crown. Napravnik had 70 wins from 332 starts, four better than Jeremy Rose, who had 66 wins from 270 starts. Gabriel Saez was in the third spot with 53 wins from 322 starts. ★

GROVE DOMINATES MINI-MEET AT LAUREL PARK

SEAN CLANCY

Summer racing returned to Maryland with Laurel Park's 11-day stand from July 31 through August 22. The meet included two Maryland-bred stakes (see writeups on page 4 of *The Maryland Horse* newsletter), and served as a reunion for horsemen who held steady for the summer and those returning from Colonial Downs.

Chris Grove dominated the trainers' standings, winning nine races, four more than Colonial Downs titleholder Hamilton Smith and Rodney Jenkins.

"We ran 20 in 11 days, we weren't doing anything special. About mid-July I stopped running horses out of town. It just seemed like every time we shipped, the 100-plus degree temperatures were kicking my horses in the butt; they were spent before they got to the paddock," Grove said. "It wasn't by design, like, 'Let's go win the meet,' but it was more like, 'Let's save face and stop trying to do the impossible.'"

Grove hit for the cycle on August 14, winning the third,

fourth, fifth and sixth races. The Bowie-based conditioner started it off with Robert Wheeler's Hello Easy Street. Dogwood Stable's Firefighter came next. Bruce Levy's homebred Joepaul's treasure made three. Prakash Patel's Pride Park finished it off with a comfortable win.

"The first race came off the turf and it scratched down to four; the owner never gave up on her and she won. The second was for Dogwood—he won pretty easily. The third one was another filly off the grass, scratched down to four. The fourth was a hard-knocker who I really like; he loves the surface and he beat a good group of \$10,000 claimers," Grove said. "Then that night, I had two in at Charles Town. My wife rode over with me and we went 2-for-2 there; six winners on the day, the only two that didn't win were two in the stakes at Laurel. It was an awesome day."

Apprentice **Forest Boyce** captured the riding title, securing 15 wins to best Malcolm Franklin by three. A graduate of the Maryland Institute College of Art, Boyce tutored under the late Hall of Fame conditioner Mikey Smithwick at the age of 11 and galloped horses for trainer Dickie Small before making her riding debut last summer.

Ben's Cat, **Lonely Whistle** and **Night Q** were the only



Apprentice **Forest Boyce**, a protege of trainers **Mikey Smithwick** and **Dickie Small**, took the riding title with 15 wins during the 11-day meet.

horses to win twice over the 11-day meet.

Ben's Cat, winner of the Mister Diz Stakes, earned \$48,240 for The Jim Stable and trainer King Leatherbury. Grove prepared William Harris's homebred **Night Q**.

Ted Maher choreographed **Lonely Whistle's** undefeated stance, while getting Boyce to ride. Maher risked the 4-year-old son of Say Florida Sandy for a \$25,000 tag and got the win in a conditioned claimer over 10 others on August 7. The New York-bred **Lonely Whistle** then took a tough allowance on the turf on August 22, facing nine and scoring by four and a quarter lengths over Money for Love. Owned by T M Racing

Stables LLC, the winner went off as third choice.

Lonely Whistle won one race in seven starts in 2009 but did manage a second at odds of 34-1 in the Woodlawn Stakes on the turf in May. He hit the sidelines from that race until returning in February and proceeding to flop in two dirt starts. He's now won two of six starts on the turf.

Maher won three races from just five starts at the meet. He secured an allowance win with T M Racing Stable's **Lucky Will** on July 31.

Sagamore Farm, the historic Maryland showplace brought back to life by Under Armour founder Kevin Plank, had its first crop of homebreds hit

WEST VIRGINIA DERBY-G2



Kaleem Shah's Concord Point shipped from trainer Bob Baffert's California base to win the \$750,000 West Virginia Derby-G2 under Martin Garcia. Todd Pletcher-trained Exhi finished second. It was Baffert's third major East Coast stakes win of 2010, following Lookin At Lucky's Preakness-G1 and Haskell-G1.

California-based trainer Bob Baffert and jockey Martin Garcia aimed like sharpshooters and picked off three of the most important stakes for 3-year-olds in the Mid-Atlantic region. The most recent came in Mountaineer Park's \$750,000 **West Virginia Derby-G2** on August 7.

The onslaught began in May in Maryland when Baffert-trained Lookin At Lucky, guided by new rider Garcia, regained his top spot among the sophomore set with his classic victory in the \$1 million Preakness Stakes-G1 at Pimlico.

Two and a half months later the threesome returned East, this time to New Jersey, and walked away with Monmouth's

\$1 million Grade 1 Haskell Invitational.

Targeted next was West Virginia, and Baffert went to the bench and sent in lightly raced Concord Point. With Garcia aboard, the only pilot the gray colt has ever known on race day, Concord Point led at every call to gain the richest victory of his career.

Concord Point, owned by Kaleem Shah, founder of information technology company Calnet Inc., shipped to Mountaineer Park with an enviable record. In five starts, he had three wins, a second and a fourth. His previous effort was a breakout performance, as he dominated Prairie Meadows's Iowa Derby-G3 by eight and a half lengths over

Thiskyhasnolimit and highly regarded Winslow Homer.

Sent off as the 4-5 favorite in the nine-horse West Virginia Derby field, Concord Point was more than up to the task in his first start at a mile and an eighth. The frontrunning son of Tapit broke well and was sent immediately to the lead by Garcia.

It was an easy lead, as Concord Point, well held by Garcia, galloped along with ears pricked through an opening quarter of :23.59 and a half in :47.71.

Following about two lengths behind was Wertheimer and Frere's Exhi, the winner of four straight stakes who was the second choice at 5-1. As Concord Point held his lead

heading into the far turn, Exhi, with Robby Albarado aboard for trainer Todd Pletcher, began his run and moved to within a half length of the leader. But Concord Point was not through.

Encouraged by Garcia, who rode vigorously through the stretch, Concord Point dove for the wire. The official margin was one length as he completed the distance in 1:51.12. It was eight and a half lengths back to New Jersey-based Nacho Friend in third.

The victory pushed Concord Point's lifetime earnings to \$669,260. Having launched his career on the synthetic tracks in California, the gray out of Harve de Grace, by Boston Harbor, got his second graded

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stakes win in his second start on a dirt surface.

The second-richest offering on the card of nine stakes races was the \$125,000 **West Virginia Governor's Stakes** at a mile and a sixteenth. Defending champion Shadowbdancing returned in fine form, having won three of four starts this year, all stakes (he was second in the other) and most recently recorded a victory in the Grade 2 **Prairie Meadows Cornhusker Handicap**. Sent off as the 1.20-1 favorite, he pressed the pace early but dropped back suddenly and was eased in the stretch.

Flying past Shadowbdancing and all the others in the seven-horse field was Demarcation. The Paul McGee-trained Kentucky shipper was allowed to settle far off the pace by Joel Rosario—at one point he was more than 15 lengths back—and when asked to go, he was unstoppable. In the final 50 yards, Demarcation surged past Cryptolight, who had gained the lead with an eighth of a mile to go, and won by an expanding margin while stopping the clock in 1:44.37. Cryptolight was a length and a quarter back at the wire, and six and three-quarters lengths to the better of Z Humor.

Owned by Amerman Racing Stables LLC, 6-year-old Demarcation, a son of Gulch, has been a stakes winner each of the past three seasons, counting graded scores in the Grade 3 **River City** and **Ack Ack Handicaps**. He had stepped up to Grade 1 competition in his previous start and finished a respectable fifth, beaten four and a half lengths by handicap division leader Blame, in the **Stephen Foster Handicap**. In getting his ninth career win in his 33rd start, Demarcation boosted his earnings to \$502,674.

In the final race of the day, the \$85,000 **West Virginia House of Delegates Speaker's**

Cup, another 6-year-old son of Gulch rallied for the victory.

Kinsman Stable's Vanquisher got his second consecutive stakes score by going five-wide around the far turn and battling favorite Timeless Fashion through the stretch. In receipt of two pounds from Timeless Fashion, the highweight with 123 pounds, Vanquisher carried Rosemary Homeister Jr. to a half-length victory and covered the mile and 70 yards over firm turf in 1:39.56.

Trained by Gregory Griffith, Vanquisher took the Kitten's Joy Stakes on the Virginia Derby undercard at Colonial Downs on July 17. The gelding, bred in Florida by his late owner, George Steinbrenner, in the name of Kinsman Farm, is having his best season ever. In seven starts this year, he has finished in the top three six times, five in stakes. His most recent score increased his earnings to \$361,741.

According to bettors, it was difficult to pick a favorite for the six-furlong **Harvey Arneault Memorial Stakes**. The race worth \$110,000 for Breeders' Cup-nominated runners attracted a field of nine. Five went off at odds of less than 5-1; the other four were more than 40-1.

Most of the field, coming in from all over the Midwest, had never competed at Mountaineer. Included in the group was Native Ruler, from the powerful stable of Maggi Moss.

Winner of the Don Bernhardt Stakes at Ellis Park in his previous start, Native Ruler went off as third choice at 3.40-1. Guided by Jamie Theriot, the bay 6-year-old son of Elusive Quality was kept well off the pace set by Captain Cherokee, a winner last out at Churchill Downs.

As Captain Cherokee was fighting off four rivals to his



Mr. Proud Allen, the first of two homebreds unleashed by Charles Town-based John Casey, outgamed Claiborne Farm's Congo in the Mountaineer Juvenile.



John Casey's ultra-talented 3-year-old filly Down Town Allen held off Our Khrysty in the West Virginia Secretary of State Stakes.

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outside heading into the stretch, Native Ruler was gunning for a huge hole that opened along the rail when the leader drifted out. Captain Cherokee repulsed his outside challengers, but couldn't hold off the rallying Native Ruler, who swept by in the final yards to win by three-quarters of a length. It was nearly three lengths back to Arlington Park shipper Super Robusto in third.

Chris Richard conditions Native Ruler, now a winner of three straight. An eight-time stakes winner, Native Ruler launched his career for

owner David Ross and trainer Ann Merryman as a 2-year-old at Colonial Downs in 2006 and won that track's Chenery Stakes in his second start. Ross lost Native Ruler to Ken and Sarah Ramsey a little over a year later in a \$25,000 claimer at Keeneland. Next out, Native Ruler was snatched at Hawthorne for the same price by Moss and Richard.

Although risked for a tag on numerous occasions since moving to Moss's barn, Native Ruler has made the majority of his 31 career starts for his present connections. All but

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\$64,799 of his \$529,196 in earnings have been for Moss.

Carl Pollard's homebred Kiss Mine was the overwhelming choice in the \$110,000 **West Virginia Senate President's Stakes** for fillies and mares at a mile and 70 yards on the turf, and the 4-year-old daughter of horse of the year Mineshaft proved the best with her length and a quarter win.

Carrying top weight of 123 pounds, two to eight pounds more than any of the other eight runners, Kiss Mine sat off a quick pace before making her move under Robby Albarado to collar frontrunning Mimi's Special Six in deep stretch. The final time was a solid 1:39.09, a little over a second off the course record.

Kiss Mine is the first of three foals to make it to the races for her dam, graded stakes winner Kiss the Devil (by Kris S.). Trainer David Vance conditioned mother, and now daughter. Kiss the Devil earned \$381,629 during her career, while Kiss Mine, a

winner of back-to-back stakes after capturing the Ellis Park Turf Breeders' Cup in July, has amassed \$247,536.

Charles Town-based trainer John Casey couldn't have had a better afternoon. He shipped in two homebreds, tossed his longtime girlfriend Kristy Petty in the saddle, and took home the trophies and a total of \$98,600 in prize money with juvenile colt Mr. Proud Allen and ultra-talented 3-year-old filly Down Town Allen.

First out was the 2-year-old. A dominant winner in his only other start, a maiden special weight at Charles Town on June 27, Mr. Proud Allen received considerable support, even though facing runners coming from such barns as those of Todd Pletcher and Steve Asmussen, when stepping out for the \$85,000 **Mountaineer Juvenile Stakes**.

The third choice at 3.80-1 in the 10-horse field, Mr. Proud Allen was in midpack early, then lost a few lengths and positions

as those in front quickened down the backstretch.

With room to make his move when Petty asked, the big-strided colt had clear sailing along the rail around the far turn and into the stretch. Pletcher-trained Congo, a runner for famed Claiborne Farm with Robby Albarado up, made the lead in deep stretch, but it was short-lived as Mr. Proud Allen was relentless and got the victory by a head. It was Petty's first stakes win as a rider.

A son of veteran sire My Boy Adam, who stands at the Casey family's Taylor Mountain Farm in Charles Town, Mr. Proud Allen is out of the Roy mare Lets Just Do It, whom Casey purchased as a yearling for \$8,500 at the 2001 Fasig-Tipton Kentucky October sale, and campaigned to win or place in nine stakes and earn \$287,926.

One year later, Casey returned to the same October yearling sale and spent \$4,000 on another Roy filly he eventually named Like Down Town.

While her racing career was basically nonexistent—in her only start midway through her 3-year-old season she finished ninth of 10 against \$10,000 maiden claimers—Like Down Town has quickly redeemed herself as a broodmare. Her second foal is Down Town Allen.

Making her first appearance anywhere but Charles Town in her 13th career start, the imposing Down Town Allen had to dig a bit deeper, but the result was the same. The daughter of Taylor Mountain Farm stallion Windsor Castle got her eighth official career victory in taking the \$85,000 **West Virginia Secretary of State Stakes**.

The frontrunning diva shot from the gate in the six-furlong event, posted fractions of :22.11, :45.64 and :58.28, then was all out to last over late-running Our Khrysty and win by a neck. The final time was 1:11.44.

One of three sophomore fillies in the 10-horse field,

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the ground in 2008. That crop consisted of two colts (now geldings) and two fillies. The fillies are currently on the shelf, according to farm manager Tom Mullikin. But each of the geldings scored a maiden victory during the Laurel summer meet—

Go Maire Tu (Congrats—Lightning Lydia, by Broad Brush) took the first race on opening day, drawing off to a five-length victory in \$16,000 maiden claiming company under Horacio Karamanos. It was his second start, following a runner-up performance at Colonial Downs on July 5.

Monzon, who was out of the money in his career debut at Colonial on July 17, more than made amends with a 12½-length maiden special weight score on August 13 at Laurel.

The even-money favorite under Geovany Garcia, Monzon was stretching out from five and a half furlongs to a mile, and relished the added distance.

Monzon is a son of Thunder Gulch and the Belong to Me mare Shadow of Mine.

The Sagamore runners are trained by Ignacio Correias, a native of Argentina who was employed by Southern Equine before becoming Plank's on-farm conditioner.

Leigh Delacour unleashed an impressive first-time starter when Fares Farm's 3-year-old Empire Maker filly **Supreme** trounced six rivals in a seven-furlong maiden special weight on August 22. Supreme secured the lead early and drew off to win by three and three-quarters lengths. Luis Garcia guided the winner, one of three during the meet for Delacour, who is based at Fair Hill Training Center with

her husband, Arnaud Delacour. Supreme cost \$80,000 at the 2008 Keeneland September Yearling sale.

On August 20, Delacour graduated Groovitude in a five and a half-furlong maiden special on the turf. The 3-year-old daughter of Dixie Union stalked the pace before running down Secret Peace to win by a half-length. Smart Music finished third. Garcia guided the winner who was sent off the favorite in the field of 11.

On August 13, Delacour earned a win with **Not for Pride**, a 5-year-old son of Not For Love and eight-time stakes winner Proud Run. Owned by Cindy Weymouth, Not for Pride took advantage of the race being moved from the turf to a fast main track. Jockey Sheldon Russell was aboard for the chestnut's third career start.

Dickie Small enjoyed a productive summer meet by winning four races from 11 starts, including the Jameela Stakes on August 14 with Buckingham Farm's homebred Fascinating Rhythm.

Small unveiled another promising homebred for his main client, Robert Meyerhoff, when **Broad Rule**, a 2-year-old son of Dixie Union and Illeria, won a maiden special weight on August 20. The Maryland-bred won by three-quarters of a length. Forest Boyce guided the winner, who is a half-brother to millionaire Include and three other stakes winners.

Small picked up a win for Larry Knight when **Litchrally** got the better of stablemate Count of Nine in a maiden claimer on August 13. On the same afternoon, Small won the nightcap with Riley Mangum's homebred **Piano Red**.

Down Town Allen recorded her fourth consecutive victory, three of them stakes. During her career, she has an enviable mark of 12 top-three finishes, nine in stakes, and earnings of \$332,107.

In actuality, Down Town Allen has never finished worse than third. Her only blemish was the result of a disqualification from first to seventh for interference right out of the gate on last year's West Virginia Breeders Classics card.

The shortest event of the day, the four and a half-furlong **West Virginia Legislature Chairman's Cup Stakes** with a purse of \$85,000, lured nine runners, including veteran stakes horses Ju Jitsu Jax (the favorite at 5-2), Go Go Shoot, Sok Sok, Blind River Fox, Love's Strong Hart and Bernie Blue, the latter boasting a Mountaineer record of 32-14-11-3 and lifetime earnings just shy of \$1 million from a total of 57 starts. They were all up-ended by Scooter Davis's Deadly Dealer.

A 6-year-old Concerto gelding, Deadly Dealer had been a model of consistency in the starter handicap ranks in West Virginia since Davis claimed him for \$5,000 at Mountaineer on July 11, 2009.

It appeared a big step up for Deadly Dealer, who had failed to win at the race's distance in two tries. Even with the advantage of getting the services of Dana Whitney, a dean of the Mountaineer jockey colony for many years, Deadly Dealer was sent off at 10-1.

Breaking from the one post, Deadly Dealer was away quickly, grabbed the lead, and was never headed. Sok Sok rallied late but never got closer than a length and a half. Go Go Shoot finished a neck back in third. The final time was :51.84.

It was the first stakes win for Deadly Dealer in 21 starts, but the gelding had shown back class. In only his fourth career start early in his 3-year-old season, he finished third to Curlin as the second choice in the 2007 Grade 2 Arkansas

Derby while in the barn of trainer Todd Pletcher. When Davis claimed Deadly Dealer, the gelding was in a new barn and making his first race in more than a year.

Over his past two seasons, Deadly Dealer had earned \$50,220 coming into the Chairman's Cup, then doubled that with his recent score.

Steve Asmussen, the nation's winningest trainer this year, sent an arsenal, with a starter in every race but the two turf tests. None of the seven Asmussen-trained runners finished worse than fourth, but only one won.

Getting the job done was 2-year-old filly Fastation, winner of the \$85,000 **Mountaineer Juvenile Fillies Stakes** by three-quarters of a length over Todd Pletcher-trained 2-5 favorite Surmount.

Shaun Bridgmohan guided the Texas-bred daughter of Valid Expectations, now a two-time stakes winner for owner Heiligbrodt Racing Stable. In her first start away from Lone

Star Park, Fastation broke quickly and joined Surmount to set the pace. It was a race between the two favorites the entire six-furlong trip, as they eventually distanced the seven other fillies while battling to the wire.

Although Fastation drifted out in midstretch, she was able to hold off a dead-game Surmount. The final time of 1:11.89 was more than one and a half seconds faster than the juvenile colts ran one race earlier.

Fastation is the third stakes winner for her dam, the Pennsylvania-bred stakes winner Fast Fingers, by longtime leading Pennsylvania sire Nepal. The filly has finished first or second in her five starts to date—she broke her maiden in the Pan Zareta/Texas Stallion Stakes in her previous start—and is also stakes-placed, with earnings of \$130,768.

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J.B. Secor continued a productive summer when Robert Gerczak and Kaygar Stable's homebred **Baltimore Belle** upset a tough allowance on the turf against older runners on August 20. Vladimir Diaz guided the 3-year-old daughter of Bowman's Band to the win over Zubani and Amelia's Brio. The three longest shots on the board, they rewarded backers with a \$12,137 triple.

"We pointed for Colonial and had a good meet, a lot of action, but we're glad to be back at Laurel," Secor said. "She's a hard-trying mare, always shows up. Hopefully she'll keep on improving and we'll have some fun with her this fall."

New York-based trainer Seth Benzel made a rare appearance in Maryland when shipping Melnyk Racing Stables's **Patience Drive** from Saratoga for a one-mile allowance on

August 21. The 4-year-old daughter of Pulpit drew off to win by nearly seven lengths under Horacio Karamanos.

One race later, Diana Alvarado provided her stable star Eldaafer with some needed class relief when she shipped in the 5-year-old veteran for an allowance on the turf. Owned by Alghuwayriyah Stable, Eldaafer swept to a length win with jockey Luis Garcia in the irons.

Exiting two tough defeats in the Suburban and Brooklyn Handicaps (both Grade 2), Eldaafer earned his second win of 2010 to go along with a starter allowance at Belmont earlier in the spring. Upset winner of last year's Brooklyn, Eldaafer won for the seventh time in his improbable career. Bred by Shadwell, he was claimed from his breeder out of the barn of trainer Kiaran

McLaughlin back in 2009. John Toscano won two races with him before Alvarado took over the training and promptly won the Brooklyn. Since then, he's tried his hand in prominent spots, including the Breeders' Cup Marathon.

Arnold Heft's 2-year-old filly **Red's Round Table** improved her record to 2-for-2 with a dominant win on August 13. Trained by Tim Keefe and ridden by Sheldon Russell, the daughter of Cuvee led every step of the six-furlong dash and drew off to win by six and a half lengths.

Keefe privately purchased Red's Round Table earlier in the year. A longtime NBA basketball referee, Heft named her for a favorite lunchtime tradition involving the late famed basketball coach Red Auerbach.

Owner/trainer Emanuel McNeil pulled off the biggest

mutuel return of the meet when **Alternating Bass** took a turf sprint on August 1. The maiden claiming winner returned \$127 for the win bet.

Based in Bowie, McNeil never gave up on Alternating Bass, who was making his 16th career start. The 5-year-old son of Purple Passion made two starts on the turf this summer, hitting the board in two maiden claimers at Colonial Downs.

Tim Tullock rolled out an impressive first-time starter when 2-year-old **Sweet Susan** won a \$25,000 maiden claimer on August 14. Owned by Sea Industries, the winner sat off the pace before running down early leaders for a two-length score under Malcolm Franklin. The 7-5 favorite for her debut, the daughter of Wiseman's Ferry had posted six published breezes, including a bullet four-furlong drill on July 18. ★

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PHILADELPHIA PARK'S NEW NAME: PARX RACING

LINDA DOUGHERTY

Philadelphia Park closed down for live racing and training beginning August 4, to allow for a four-week maintenance break, and upon its reopening underwent a name change—becoming **Parx Racing**.

The race track and adjacent casino now will have the same name. The Parx name was adopted for the casino in the summer of 2009.

During the break, grandstand renovations were nearly completed. Track officials originally had indicated that the grandstand would revert to full use by racing fans after the separate casino building was constructed. But plans changed, and the first floor will now have some space devoted to a large poker room. New features include a wrap-around sports bar and wagering carrels enhanced by high-end granite and wood. Eventually, other space in the grandstand may be devoted to table games as well.

One of the provisions of Act 71, or the Pennsylvania slots legislation, is that race track license-holders make sizable capital improvements to the backstretch and frontside each year. Several new barns have been constructed on the Philadelphia backstretch, but many needed to be modified to include indoor wash stalls after the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection cited the track for polluting nearby wetlands. Manure had found its way from drains into the Neshaminy Creek watershed, and Philadelphia Park

was warned to find another way of handling the manure runoff or risk sizable fines.

Rockport Harbor, a Kentucky-based sire with many local connections, got his first winner on August 1 when his daughter **Parvenu** won her debut in the program opener. She completed the four and a half-furlong maiden special weight in :52.91 under jockey Stewart Elliott for trainer John Servis.

Rockport Harbor (by Unbridled's Song), owned by Rick Porter's Fox Hill Farms, was Servis's hope for the Triple Crown in 2005, the year after Servis guided Pennsylvania-bred Smarty Jones to victories in the Kentucky Derby-G1 and Preakness-G1. Rockport Harbor won three stakes, including the Grade 2 Remsen, but a foot injury sustained in that race forced him off the Triple Crown trail.

Standing at Darley in Lexington, Ky., Rockport Harbor has proven popular at stud; he has 118 current juveniles in his first crop.

Parvenu, a gray filly out of the stakes-placed Concern mare Last Toots, was bred by Servis in partnership with Pat Chapman, who with her late husband, Roy Chapman, bred and owned Smarty Jones; the filly races in the name of Chapman's Someday Farm and Josh Tulane Farm.

Last Toots, who was third in the Go for Wand Stakes at Delaware Park as a 3-year-old and earned \$164,304 over four seasons of racing, also campaigned as a homebred for Chapman, with Servis as her trainer.

Trainer Kathleen DeMasi tightened the girth on **Dixieland Knockout** for a five-furlong turf allowance on August 1 and then watched as the gray daughter of Two Punch came out on top in an exciting stretch scramble. When the dust settled, less than one length separated the first

five finishers, with Dixieland Knockout hitting the wire first in :57.35.

Bred by Mrs. Richard C. duPont in Maryland, and owned by Pewter Stable and Charles R. Brewer, 5-year-old Dixieland Knockout has a record of six wins from 15 starts, and earnings of \$161,220. She was purchased at the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Eastern Fall Yearling sale for \$10,000.

Dixieland Knockout's dam, Donnan's Holly (by Dixieland Band), is a half-sister to multiple stakes winner Forty Crowns. Dixieland Knockout is a half-sister to stakes winners Conservation (\$289,580) and My Girlie.

Cash is King LLC's **Poseidon's Warrior** broke his maiden impressively in his juvenile debut on August 2, drawing away to win by one and a half lengths over eight rivals in a four and a half-furlong maiden special weight contest.

Bred by Dark Hollow Farm and William Paca Beatson, the juvenile son of Speightstown out of Poised to Pounce (by Smarten) raced four-wide down the backstretch under jockey Frankie Pennington, then took the lead coming off the turn and with powerful strides came home in :52.62 as the favorite. Ucan'tcme and Laffin' Place, also first-time starters, rounded out the trifecta.

Trained by Robert E. Reid, Jr., Poseidon's Warrior earned \$24,600. The Maryland-bred was purchased by Cash is King in May at the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic sale of 2-year-olds in training for \$90,000. Cash is King is better known as the group that raced dual classic winner Afleet Alex, now a successful second-crop sire.

Poseidon's Warrior is a half-brother to Play Bingo, winner of the Maryland Million Classic and earner of \$455,240, as well as Quick 'n Smart, a multiple stakes winner of \$156,820, and stakes-placed Rhythmn Master, who earned \$279,370.

"He is the last foal out of Poised to Pounce," said David Hayden of Dark Hollow Farm. "Unfortunately, she suffered complications while in foal to Hard Spun and had to be put down."

Gaston Sandoval was a familiar face on the Philadelphia Park backstretch in the 1990s, shipping up from Florida each spring. But beginning about five years ago, Sandoval—whose expertise is with turf horses—found that stall space wasn't readily available to him.

One of his Gasadell Farm homebreds, **Lucky Romeo**, shipped up from Sandoval's temporary home in Maryland to waltz away with a victory in a five-furlong turf allowance on August 2. A 5-year-old gelding by Proudest Romeo, Lucky Romeo survived a speed duel with longshot The Jackal and edged to a one and three-quarter-length tally over favored Hero of the Sea. Jockey Frankie Pennington piloted him over a firm course in :57.62.

Lucky Romeo has now won three of seven starts and \$53,680.

Over the years, Sandoval has trained several talented runners, including such remarkable turf veterans as Rudirudy and Sport d'Hiver. Rudirudy, a son of Jolie's Halo, raced for 11 seasons, made more than 100 starts, won or placed in 26 stakes through age 9, and earned \$710,214. Sport d'Hiver, who also went over the century mark in starts, won or placed in 15 stakes from ages 4 to 12 and earned \$568,035. ★

PRESQUE ISLE DOWNS SHOWCASES PA-BREDS

CINDY DEUBLER

Two summer stakes for Pennsylvania-bred 3-year-olds, run at a mile and a sixteenth and worth \$75,000, anchored the card on Thursday evening, August 19. Form held as 0.90-1 favorite **Fugitive Angel** took the Malvern Rose Stakes for fillies, and 1.70-1 choice **Ryan's Gift** captured the Lil E. Tee Handicap over six colts and geldings.

First out were the fillies, who came home in a faster time in the Malvern Rose when **Fugitive Angel** stopped the clock in 1:46.65 in her seven and a quarter-length romp.

Fugitive Angel, a flashy bay daughter of Alphabet Soup owned and bred by George Strawbridge's Augustin Stable, was seeking her third straight victory to remain undefeated at 3 in her first trip to Presque Isle.

As a juvenile, **Fugitive Angel** raced at Saratoga, Keeneland and Santa Anita, with a second-place finish over the Polytrack at Keeneland her best showing.

She returned to the races on June 19 on the turf at Colonial Downs to break her maiden, then made a successful jump to stakes competition with a come-from-behind victory in Penn National's Russian Rhythm Stakes on the turf on August 6.

Anna Napravnik got the call for both stakes races from



Fugitive Angel romped by nearly eight lengths in her first trip to Presque Isle, capturing the Malvern Rose Stakes for owner/breeder George Strawbridge.



Rosemarie Kesselring's Ryan's Gift took the Lil E. Tee Handicap, extending the remarkable win column of trainer Michael Ferraro.

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trainer Jonathan Sheppard, and was confident in the filly, who broke outward from her outside seven post at the start, was allowed to stalk a slow pace (the half in :51.30 and three-quarters in 1:15.69), then moved up eagerly to take the lead as the field rounded the far turn. Encouraged by Napravnik when they hit the top of the stretch, **Fugitive Angel** scooted away from Outlaw Dancer, quickly opening a daylight lead with Napravnik taking a look back before hand riding the blaze-faced bay to the finish.

A fifth-generation Strawbridge homebred, **Fugitive Angel** has graded stakes winners Recording (by Danzig) and

Ratings (by Caveat) as her second and third dams. She is the first foal out of unraced Screening (by Unbridled), a half-sister to stakes winners Deal Making and Smart Bid.

After getting her third win from six starts, **Fugitive Angel** has earned \$113,147.

Ryan's Gift was making his stakes debut in his first attempt at a distance greater than six and a half furlongs. But the son of Bernstein had the advantage of having a win over the track—only one other starter in the seven-horse field had the same experience, that being the slightly overlooked Runaway Brute. Both appeared to benefit greatly.

Ryan's Gift was well-placed early, as Daniel Centeno kept the gelding within striking distance of pacesetter Closing Vision off of soft fractions (they went the half in :49.42 and three-quarters in 1:14.15). By the time the field turned into the stretch, **Ryan's Gift** had moved to the lead. He held off the late-running Runaway Brute to win by a length and a half in a final time of 1:46.79.

From the red hot barn of Michael Ferraro, who has been winning at Presque Isle at a 46 percent clip, **Ryan's Gift** got his second win in a row for owner Rosemarie Kesselring. Bred by Betty Sue Walters, **Ryan's Gift** is the first foal of minor winner Annie's Tuff, a daughter of Lil's Lad. He was a \$15,000 purchase by EQB Inc. at the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Eastern Fall Yearling sale. With six wins or placings from nine starts, **Ryan's Gift** has earned \$121,680.

Tom Amoss, the leading trainer of Presque Isle's inaugural meet, has sent out runners to make 20 starts at the track this year—small numbers when compared to leading trainers Jamie Ness and Gerald Bennett—but he has struck at a win rate of 35 percent. And six of his seven wins have been in stakes or allowance company.

The star has been Red Hot Buddha, winner of the Inaugural Stakes on opening day. Other winners include the full siblings **Lookn Even Finer** and **Lookn Mighty Fast**, the former an allowance winner on August 5.

A 3-year-old filly by Point Given out of multiple stakes winner **Lookn Mighty Fine** (by Peterhof), **Lookn Even Finer** was sent off as the 0.90-1 favorite under Amoss's go-to rider, Scott Spieth.

Biding her time off quick opening fractions of :22.46 and :45.90, **Lookn Even Finer** moved up quickly to join the leaders, then drove to the wire to win by one and three-quarters lengths. It was her second

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win in eight starts this year, and increased her earnings to \$65,960 for owner McLoughlin Stables LLC.

Lookn Mighty Fine's year-old brother Lookn Mighty Fast was Amoss's only winner to run for a tag. The stakes-placed runner, risked for \$50,000, found no takers in his win on June 2, in which he completed six furlongs in 1:10.05 while rolling home by five and three-quarters lengths under Spieth. In two subsequent Presque Isle starts, his best finish was a fourth in allowance company on August 25.

Amoss sent out a well-bred maiden special weight winner on August 12 in the form of the 3-year-old Tiznow colt **Hurricane Hal**. With Spieth up, the 3-2 choice in the field of eight rallied three-wide on the far turn to win going away by one and three-quarters lengths in the mile and a sixteenth test. His dam, the Storm Cat mare Hurricane Judy, is a half-sister to Grade 1 winner Imaginary Lady.

Purchased by Stonestreet Stables as a 2-year-old at the Barretts March sale for \$650,000, Hurricane Hal was risked for \$30,000 in his fourth career start this past May at Churchill Downs. Amoss dropped the slip for owner Terry Kaye, who campaigns the colt in the name of Hunter Run Stable.

Michael Ryan's 3-year-old **Major Momentum** won back-to-back six-furlong allowances during the summer, the second coming on August 13 by four lengths. Trained by Steve Klesaris, Major Momentum completed the distance in 1:10.44 and earned a 95 Beyer speed figure.

In his previous start, the son of Speightstown, purchased by Ryan for \$225,000 at the Keeneland September Yearling sale, defeated Ryan's Gift by two lengths on July 10. Harry Vega was aboard for both victories.

The five-race starter handicapped marathon series has been an attention-getter, drawing large fields and testing handicapping skills. The third leg in the series was contested at a mile and three-quarters on August 11, and Chicago-based trainer/rider duo Larry Rivelli and Brandon Meier hooked up with **Helicopter**, a 4-year-old gelding by Three Wonders making his first Presque Isle start.

The bettors had it right when they made Helicopter the 3-2 favorite, as the well-seasoned bay drew off to win by three and three-quarters lengths over Cursesandblessings. Multiple Presque Isle track record setter El Profeta was third.

In getting the victory, Helicopter established a new track record of 3:00.41.

"The longer the distance the better, and he loves the synthetics," said Rivelli, who has sent the gelding out to win 13 of 17 starts since taking over his training in May 2009.

El Profeta bounced back two weeks later to contest a one-mile starter allowance. The 5-year-old son of Double Honor took it like a sprint, leading throughout to win by four and a half lengths. Owned by his trainer, Adolfo Exposito, El Profeta has won three of his four starts during the meet.

For those who want a little variety, look no farther than the barn of **Jeff Greenhill**. The Kentucky-based horseman sent out a quick allowance winner on the evening of August 17, as **Cam the Man** made short work of a five and a half-furlong test, leading at every call and roaring home by seven lengths. It was the second win of the meet for the 4-year-old son of Five Star Day, who broke his maiden first out on June 2, also in a frontrunning effort when going six furlongs.

Two races before the allowance victory, Greenhill sent out 3-year-old claimer Old Harley to win a one-mile maiden race.

The margin was also seven lengths.

But Greenhill also has veterans. His 11-year-old gelding El Bomba got the job done on August 20 when he rallied through the stretch, then dug in late to win a \$7,500 claimer by a neck. He returned a nice price of \$46.80 in getting his 14th career victory in his 83rd start.

"He's an 11-year-old 2-year-old," acknowledged Greenhill. "He's the most nervous horse, a basket case. But he has earned over \$200,000."

Greenhill noted he likes his chances in keeping older horses in competition. "I try to cater to the horse. If you are good to them, they are good to you."

Earlier in the meet, Greenhill captured two of the track's marathon races, winning two-mile tests with Shakeyogroove-thing and Eleuterio. The latter holds the existing track mark of 3:37.21.

"I've had tremendous luck with marathon horses," said Greenhill. "You can't really train for it—they either can go that far or they can't. I watch for horses who look like they can go a distance, but just haven't tried it."

Greenhill, a former chemical engineer who took out his trainer's license in 1996, loves the synthetic tracks, especially the Tapeta surface. "There is no kickback, and the horses get a hold of it." He has a total of about 20 horses in training, seven at Presque Isle with assistant trainer David Schuman and the rest at Turfway Park. All his winners at Presque Isle compete in the name of his wife, Sherri. "We're at Presque Isle because of the purses and the surface," he said.

Like clockwork over the summer, trainer **Graham Motion** shipped in a 2-year-old from his home base at Fair Hill and came away with a first-time-out maiden special weight win.

On June 26, Augustin Stable's homebred colt **Beatnik**

(Kitten's Joy—Silla, by Gone West) rallied to win by a length. On July 29, it was NP Bloodstock Inc.'s homebred filly **Pleine Forme** (Grand Slam—Why Worry-Fr, by Cadeaux Generaux) who applied similar tactics as she rallied to win by two lengths. On August 25, **Wide Receiver** (Hennessy—Spring Season, by Seeking the Gold), another Augustin Stable homebred colt, set all the pace before drawing off to win by nearly five lengths. Harry Vega got the call for each ride.

There were other impressive 2-year-old performances. Trainer Lynne Scace sent out the filly **It's Me Mom** for owner/breeder Thomas and Jean Bosch to a seven-length score going four and a half furlongs in maiden special weight company on August 10. The speedy daughter of Put It Back was immediately on the lead and opened up double-digit lengths before cruising to the wire in :51.83 under Willie Martinez.

King Samurai, a gelded son of first-crop sire First Samurai, ripped through a four and a half-furlong maiden special weight in :51.29 for owners Raymond Rech, Bill Meyers and Winning Stables Inc. The Gerald Bennett-trained youngster won by five lengths with R.D. Allen Jr. in the irons.

Mike Jester's young mare Luvina, a 12-year-old daughter of Forest Wildcat, is a 100 percent producer. She has five foals, three bred by Jester, and all are winners. Two of her offspring captured six-furlong maiden special weights in August.

Her 3-year-old daughter **The Amateur**, by Quiet American, trained by Steve Rowan for Jester, scored easily by two and a half lengths on August 21 under Harry Vega. Her final time was 1:11.58.

The year-old **Roving**, a son of Doneraile Court owned by trainer Rebecca Mazzaro, led throughout to win by the

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2009 Sale Graduate Twelve Pack Shelly:

DEPUTY STORM's juvenile filly **TWELVE PACK SHELLEY** proved her brilliance early in 2010 by smashing a Laurel Park track record in her debut and finishing third in Churchill Downs's Kentucky Juvenile S.-G3 in April. She capped off her summer season with a victory in Monmouth Park's Colleen S. The Eastern Fall sale grad has earned \$111,200: an amazing return on a \$5,000 investment!



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- 91 c Carson Kitty
- 142 f Deeply Smitten
- 174 f Douce Douce
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- 269 c Icy Cat
- 301 f Kat Murat
- 364 c Mass Romantic
- 377 c Merriweather
- 523 f Silent Butler

NOT FOR LOVE

- 56 f Beauty Brush
- 102 c Chiqueada
- 123 c Crying in the Rain
- 190 f Exploit Me
- 208 f Foolish Kisses
- 222 c Gazillion
- 266 c Hurricane Hazel
- 310 c Known Thief
- 337 c Living Trust
- 419 f My New Pal
- 422 f Nasty Nemesis
- 478 f Richetta
- 491 c Sadler's Sarah

- 492 f Sad Refrain
- 517 f Shorcount
- 585 c Tekawitha

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- 1 c Yamipa
- 265 f Hunter's Slew
- 427 c Nin Two

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- 100 f Cheers and Tears
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- 169 c Donna Doolittle
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- 456 f Potomac Bend
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- 540 f Soap Opera
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- 574 c Taint Yieldin'



Bullsbay— 'Tis' a perfect classic connection

The first son of **TIZNOW** to stand in the Mid-Atlantic region, **BULLSBAY** gives breeders the classic connection to one of the most important sires in the world. Horse of the Year and two-time Breeders' Cup Classic-G1 winner **TIZNOW** has been a major success at stud from the start, sireing a champion (Folklore) and a Dubai World Cup-G1 winner (Well Armed) in his first crop and a classic winner (Da' Tara) in his second! More than half of **TIZNOW's** stakes winners (he's averaging about five per crop) are graded winners.

BULLSBAY is one of the best performers for his amazing sire. He captured Saratoga's time-honored Whitney H.-G1 over millionaires Commentator, Macho Again, Dry Martini and Smooth Air, earning a 107 Beyer Speed Figure off that effort, and recorded a 106 Beyer in the G1 Woodward when beaten a length and a half by Horse of the Year **RACHEL ALEXANDRA**. A three-time stakes winner, all at distances over a mile, **BULLSBAY** earned \$923,245 from 25 starts.



Love That Dance Takes Monmouth's \$100K Trenton S.

John Petrini's two-time New Jersey-bred champion LOVE THAT DANCE recorded her fourth career stakes win with a determined run through the stretch in Monmouth Park's \$112,000 Trenton S. on Aug. 22. The 4-year-old daughter of NOT FOR LOVE, trained by Ben Perkins Jr., defeated a talented field of sprint mares in the 6 fur. test and stopped the clock in 1:09.81 over a muddy track.

Increasing her record to a dozen top-three finishes in 20 starts, LOVE THAT DANCE upped her career earnings to \$358,794 in just her third start of the year. Out of the Broad Brush mare BROAD EXCHANGE, the chestnut filly adds to a record that includes a victory in last year's MD Million Oaks.

The Maryland Million, which is just around the corner, is a big day for NOT FOR LOVE's runners, and this year he has a chance to become the event's leading sire by wins—truly not just another day!



same margin on August 24. Phil Teator guided the gelding, who went off at 16-1 and completed the distance in 1:12.70.

Jester, who owns and operates Penn Ridge Farms in Harrisburg, Pa., purchased Luvina for \$27,000 at the

Keeneland November sale in 2004. The Mr. Greeley foal she was carrying at the time was future stakes winner Terrifico,

who has earned \$214,333 to date. ★

PENN NATIONAL LURES TALENT WITH ITS RICHEST STAKES CARD OF THE SEASON

LINDA DOUGHERTY

The richest race of the year-long Penn National season, the \$200,000 Pennsylvania Governor's Cup, was contested on July 31, topping an 11-race card that featured two other added-money events, the \$75,000 East Hanover Township Stakes and \$75,000 Capital City Stakes. Emerging victorious in the Governor's Cup was Carl R. Moore Management LLC's classy **Chamberlain Bridge**, who held off the onrushing Phosphorescent to win by a half length under jockey Jamie Theriot.

The five-furlong Governor's Cup, run on a firm turf course, was the eighth stakes win of Chamberlain Bridge's prolific and consistent career, which includes 14 wins and 10 additional placings from 28 starts. Sent off as the favorite in the field of 11, the diminutive 6-year-old bay gelding broke alertly, settled into second position not far behind pacesetter Blue Sailor, then spurted to the lead coming off the turn and rolled into the stretch, having just enough left for the victory. Phosphorescent rallied from



Chamberlain Bridge survived the late charge of Phosphorescent to score his eighth career stakes win in the \$200,000 Pennsylvania Governor's Cup.



Daniel Ljoka's Awesome Son, trained by Tim Kelly at Monmouth Park, cruised to a daylight victory in the East Hanover Township Stakes.

far back to just fall short, while third-place finisher Sneaking Uponyou had to maneuver around horses in the lane to rally for third. The time was :55.06.

Chamberlain Bridge, trained by W. Bret Calhoun, earned \$108,800, to increase his lifetime bankroll to \$890,245. The son of War Chant was bred in Kentucky by Eugene Melnyk.

"He's a small horse, but he has a big heart," said Calhoun.

Awesome Son cruised down the stretch for a five-length victory in the East Hanover Township Stakes, a six-furlong contest for 3-year-olds, defeating stakes winner Peppi Knows, with Rockin' Rockstar third. A son of Pure Precision, Awesome Son completed the distance under jock-

ey Francisco Maysonett in a swift 1:08.92, just .27 seconds off the track record.

Awesome Son shipped to Penn National from his base at Monmouth Park for trainer Tim Kelly. He's owned by Daniel Ljoka and was bred by Sharon Biamonte and George and Lisa Hall in Florida. The East Hanover Township was his first stakes win and fourth win overall from seven starts. He's earned \$139,190.

In the Capital City Stakes, for 3-year-olds at one mile on turf, **Thunder Brew** rallied from off the pace to win by three-quarters of a length over Bad Debt, with My Elusive Star two lengths back in third. He was piloted by Anna Napravnik, and trained by Anthony Pecoraro. Hammered down to overwhelming favoritism, Thunder Brew did not disappoint, and earned the third stakes win of his career in zipping the distance in a new course record of 1:33.12. The son of Milwaukee Brew is owned by Roman Hill Farm and was bred in Florida by Thomas L. Croley.

The evening prior to the Governor's Cup, on July 30, it was time for fillies and mares to shine in three stakes events, headlined by the \$100,000 Jenny Wade Handicap at five furlongs on turf.

Vanning down from trainer Linda Rice's Saratoga base was Obviously NY Stable's **Canadian Ballet**, a 5-year-old mare by City Zip, and she gave a gritty performance in winning the Jenny Wade by a diminishing neck under jockey Stewart Elliott.

The even-money choice in the field of seven, Canadian

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Ballet shot to the lead and quickly opened a two-length advantage over Out Post. While racing off the rail, Canadian Ballet was never headed, but after ripping off fractions of :21.60 and :43.46 she was clearly leg-weary in the final yards. She dug down and hit the wire just in front of the onrushing Out Post, who was also extremely game.

If Not for Lust was third; the time was :55.64.

The Jenny Wade was the sixth stakes score for Canadian Ballet, who was bred in New York by Gus Schoenborn Jr. She's earned \$577,859 from 20 starts.

The \$75,000 Red Carpet Stakes, at a mile and a sixteenth on turf, was won by **First Ascent**, who defeated Choice Play and heavily favored Sea Wind in 1:41.51 under jockey Luis Garcia to get her first stakes win.

Trained by Leigh Delacour, First Ascent is owned by Stella Thayer and was bred by Wakefield Farm in Kentucky. She is a 6-year-old daughter of Cherokee Run.

The \$75,000 Femme Fatale Stakes, for 3-year-old fillies at six furlongs, was taken by Tommy G. Ligon's homebred **Come Sunday**, who rallied from last in the compact field to win by a neck under jockey Stewart Elliott. The daughter of Repent was timed in 1:10.59, and was trained by John Servis.

Since dropping the claim slip for **Tap Tap I Win** on April 29 at Penn National, trainer Bruce Kravets has stood in the winner's circle time and time again. The 4-year-old gray gelding by Tapit won the night he went to the Kravets barn, and has won four of five since, the latest a romp on August 5 in a starter allowance at one mile, 70 yards.

His seventh victory of the year propelled Tap Tap I Win into the top spot among Penn National's winningest horses of the season.



Thunder Brew, the overwhelming favorite in a field of six, rallied to a course record-setting victory in the one-mile Capital City Stakes.



Linda Rice trainee Canadian Ballet (right), although never headed in the five-furlong Jenny Wade Handicap, had to dig deep to hold off Out Post.



Leigh Delacour saddled Stella Thayer's First Ascent, who won the Red Carpet Stakes in a blanket finish over Choice Play and Sea Wind.

A California-bred, Tap Tap I Win launched his career in his home state. He was sold privately last fall and brought to the East Coast, where he surfaced at Philadelphia Park on December 1, 2009 with trainer Jevon Crumley.

Tap Tap I Win was unplaced that day, and then made his next three starts at Penn National, winning two, before being claimed by Kravets for \$12,500 on behalf of owner Rodney Chronister.

"I liked his form and I liked his back class," said Kravets, in reflecting upon the decision to claim Tap Tap I Win. "He's a big, pretty gray horse and so far has been really dominant against horses of this class."

Kravets said he's followed the adage "if it ain't broke, don't fix it" in training Tap Tap I Win, who now boasts nine career victories from 24 starts, and earnings of \$173,520.

"He won wire-to-wire the day I claimed him and we've let him keep doing that," said Kravets. "When other horses challenge him, he really digs down to keep the lead."

Accompanying Tap Tap I Win to the winner's circle each time he scores is owner Chronister and his large, extended entourage of family and friends.

"It's really a family affair," said Kravets. "They have a good time at the races, and really celebrate when a horse of theirs wins."

On August 6, Penn National featured two \$75,000 stakes for Pennsylvania-breds on the turf—the Robellino and Russian Rhythm.

Ivy Dell Stud's homebred **Crow's Nest** closed with a rush to notch the first stakes win of his 23-start career in the Robellino. Trained by Patrick Graham at the Fair Hill Training Center, the 6-year-old gray son of Mizzen Mast was sent off at odds of 10-1, but was coming off an impressive

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2009 Sale Graduate Twelve Pack Shelly:

DEPUTY STORM's juvenile filly **TWELVE PACK SHELLY** proved her brilliance early in 2010 by smashing a Laurel Park track record in her debut and finishing third in Churchill Downs's Kentucky Juvenile S.-G3 in April. She capped off her summer season with a victory in Monmouth Park's Colleen S. The Eastern Fall sale grad has earned \$111,200: an amazing return on a \$5,000 investment!



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MEDALLIST

- 91 c Carson Kitty
- 142 f Deeply Smitten
- 174 f Douce Douce
- 229 f Glowing Honour
- 269 c Icy Cat
- 301 f Kat Murat
- 364 c Mass Romantic
- 377 c Merriweather
- 523 f Silent Butler

NOT FOR LOVE

- 56 f Beauty Brush
- 102 c Chiqueada
- 123 c Crying in the Rain
- 190 f Exploit Me
- 208 f Foolish Kisses
- 222 c Gazillion
- 266 c Hurricane Hazel
- 310 c Known Thief
- 337 c Living Trust
- 419 f My New Pal
- 422 f Nasty Nemesis
- 478 f Richetta
- 491 c Sadler's Sarah

- 492 f Sad Refrain
- 517 f Shorcount
- 585 c Tekawitha

PARTNER'S HERO

- 1 c Yamipa
- 265 f Hunter's Slew
- 427 c Nin Two

TWO PUNCH

- 80 f Bye Bye Katie Pie
- 100 f Cheers and Tears
- 158 f Disco Darlin'
- 169 c Donna Doolittle
- 235 c Green Jeans
- 283 c Island Saga
- 399 c Miss Quackers
- 417 c Mrs. Vanderbilt
- 442 f Past You
- 452 f Poinciana
- 456 f Potomac Bend
- 515 c She's a Drummer
- 540 f Soap Opera
- 551 c Starry Nugget
- 568 f Sussex Drive
- 574 c Taint Yieldin'



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Bullsbay— 'Tis' a perfect classic connection

The first son of **TIZNOW** to stand in the Mid-Atlantic region, **BULLSBAY** gives breeders the classic connection to one of the most important sires in the world. Horse of the Year and two-time Breeders' Cup Classic-G1 winner **TIZNOW** has been a major success at stud from the start, siring a champion (Folklore) and a Dubai World Cup-G1 winner (Well Armed) in his first crop and a classic winner (Da' Tara) in his second! More than half of **TIZNOW's** stakes winners (he's averaging about five per crop) are graded winners.

BULLSBAY is one of the best performers for his amazing sire. He captured Saratoga's time-honored Whitney H.-G1 over millionaires Commentator, Macho Again, Dry Martini and Smooth Air, earning a 107 Beyer Speed Figure off that effort, and recorded a 106 Beyer in the G1 Woodward when beaten a length and a half by Horse of the Year **RACHEL ALEXANDRA**. A three-time stakes winner, all at distances over a mile, **BULLSBAY** earned \$923,245 from 25 starts.



Love That Dance Takes Monmouth's \$100K Trenton S.

John Petrini's two-time New Jersey-bred champion LOVE THAT DANCE recorded her fourth career stakes win with a determined run through the stretch in Monmouth Park's \$112,000 Trenton S. on Aug. 22. The 4-year-old daughter of NOT FOR LOVE, trained by Ben Perkins Jr., defeated a talented field of sprint mares in the 6 fur. test and stopped the clock in 1:09.81 over a muddy track.

Increasing her record to a dozen top-three finishes in 20 starts, LOVE THAT DANCE upped her career earnings to \$358,794 in just her third start of the year. Out of the Broad Brush mare BROAD EXCHANGE, the chestnut filly adds to a record that includes a victory in last year's MD Million Oaks.

The Maryland Million, which is just around the corner, is a big day for NOT FOR LOVE's runners, and this year he has a chance to become the event's leading sire by wins—truly not just another day!



victory against allowance company at Penn National.

Installed as favorite in the Robellino was the Jonathan Sheppard-trained Auction Watch, a George Strawbridge homebred who had last raced at Gulfstream Park in February.

Under jockey William Antongeorgi, Crow's Nest stalked the early pace of long-shot Frank the Tank while racing on the rail. He remained in close striking range until the field of 11 rounded the far turn, and Antongeorgi moved him off the rail and outside of horses. A wall of horses surrounded the faltering Frank the Tank and, at the top of the stretch, it appeared that more than half the field was in a position to win. But Crow's Nest had the best closing kick and drew off to a two-length advantage nearing the eighth pole, hitting the wire one and a half lengths in front of another 10-1 shot, Pocket Patch.

Auction Watch closed to be third, a head behind Pocket Patch. The final time for the mile and a sixteenth was 1:41.43.

The \$45,000 winner's share of the purse increased the earnings of Crow's Nest to \$178,597.

Although Auction Watch wasn't successful in the Robellino, Strawbridge and Sheppard found the winner's circle in the Russian Rhythm with **Fugitive Angel**, a lightly raced daughter of Alphabet Soup who rallied from fourth to first in midstretch under jockey Anna Napravnik to take the mile and a sixteenth race by one and a half lengths over 37-1 Lovelier, with Domestic Bliss third, in 1:40.57.

It was only the fifth career start for Fugitive Angel, who came into the Russian Rhythm off a maiden special weight score at Colonial Downs.

Fugitive Angel is the first foal out of the Unbridled mare Screening, who is a daughter of Strawbridge's graded stakes



Tommy Ligon's homebred **Come Sunday** charged up from last place to overtake runner-up **Angels in Arms** in the **Femme Fatale Stakes**.



Crow's Nest, bred and owned by Phil Fanning's Ivy Dell Stud, surged to victory in the **Robellino Stakes**, his first added-money win in 23 career starts.



Fugitive Angel, coming off a maiden special weight victory at Colonial Downs, joined the ranks of stakes winners in the **Russian Rhythm Stakes**.

winner Recording; Screening is a half-sister to stakes winners Deal Making and Smart Bid.

For the last three seasons, Venneri Racing's 5-year-old **Cherryblossommiss** kept the best of company on the California circuit. After breaking her maiden in special weight competition at Del Mar in September 2009, the daughter of Langfuhr competed in graded stakes under the guidance of trainer John Sadler; this past June she faced champion Zenyatta in the Grade 1 Vanity Handicap at Hollywood Park.

Although **Cherryblossommiss** finished far behind Zenyatta, she rebounded to finish third in an allowance at Hollywood Park on July 5, and added her third career victory on August 5 when she shipped east to Penn National for a hard-earned score in an allowance test for new trainer Stephanie Beattie.

Under jockey Dana Whitney, **Cherryblossommiss** went to the front in the six-furlong contest and stayed there, but was challenged every step of the way by a variety of pursuers, including Hidden Expression, who kept pace until the far turn, and Ms Mia, who stuck with her until midstretch. **Cherryblossommiss** finally shook clear late to win by one and a half lengths in 1:10.67 over a rallying Life by R R, with Ms Mia third.

From 17 starts, **Cherryblossommiss** has earned \$158,712. Out of the Pass the Tab mare Bodhavista, the full sister to multiple graded stakes winner and classic-placed Imperialism was a \$110,000 Keeneland September sales yearling.

One of the largest claims ever made at Penn National occurred on August 12, when trainer Gerald Delp, on behalf of Fox Tale Racing Stable, dropped the slip for \$40,000 for multiple stakes winner and \$557,943-earner **Secretintelligence**.

Secretintelligence, a 7-year-old gelding, finished fourth that

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AROUND THE OVALS

night in an allowance/optional claiming event won by Boot the Boss over a sloppy track.

In five seasons of racing and 40 starts, Secretintelligence has run for a tag only twice. He has won or placed in 14 stakes.

"We are bringing him to Philadelphia Park and are very happy to have him," said Dawn Newman of Fox Tale Stud, which operates Fox Tale Racing Stable. Fox Tale, located in Coopersburg, Pa., stands Secretintelligence's sire,

Pennsylvania Derby-G2 winner Smart Guy.

Gabriel Menei's **Cocky Princess** ran true to her role as favorite while defeating six rivals in an allowance race on August 14.

Under jockey Katie Lee, the bay 3-year-old tracked leader Asian Dream while racing well out from the rail through the first three-quarters of a mile. She began to move on the far turn and collared that rival in upper stretch, then swept past

to open a two and a half-length lead nearing the eighth pole. The outcome was never in doubt although Single Scoop rallied late to cut her winning margin to one and three-quarters lengths, with Asian Dream three lengths back in third. The final time for the one mile, 70 yards, was 1:44.77.

Cocky Princess is trained by John Conner, and was bred by Judith Barrett in Pennsylvania. The victory was her third from seven starts; she did not make

her debut until May 11 of this year. Conner claimed Cocky Princess for \$10,000 on July 1 from her former owner, Lee Christian, president of the South Carolina Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association.

Her sire, Cocky, a son of Valiant Nature, stood at Godstone Farm in Pine Grove, Pa., for several seasons before moving to Kansas. ★

CLAIMING GAME YIELDS BIG PRIZE AT CHARLES TOWN

JEFF NATIONS

Jack Jordan is not above a bit of bargain shopping at the claiming window, especially when the horse in question is one he'd long hoped to add to his stable.

When **Shesagrump**too went postward for a \$20,000 tag last November, Jordan headed downstairs to drop his claim slip. He met her owner, Raimondo Schiano-Di Cola, at the claim box, where Di Cola was filling out a form for Ronney Brown's Shesdebonairness. Di Cola wasn't happy to see Jordan.

"He hasn't talked to me since, and we're good friends," Jordan said with a smile. "I was going to claim her two years ago for \$32,500 but Raimondo asked me not to because he wanted the horse for his family. [Schiano-Di Cola claimed her out of that start on September 5, 2008, from Mark Russell.] So I didn't claim her as a favor to him."

Two years and no wins later (although she more than paid her way with earnings in excess

of \$180,000 during the interim), Jordan got a second chance and he took it. And after watching 7-year-old Shesagrump too humble a talented field in the \$50,000 Sadie Hawkins Stakes on August 14, Jordan knew that was money well spent.

"I didn't have any trouble dropping the claim. That was cheap," Jordan said. "I got the \$12,500 discount. She's a nice horse. This one paid for itself today."

The winner's share of the stakes purse was \$30,660.

The oldest runner in the Sadie Hawkins, a seven-furlong test for state-bred fillies and mares, Shesagrump too, a daughter of Lufikus, also faced the longest odds: 28-1. It didn't look promising, as defending champion Jolie Ange headlined a lineup of recent stakes winners that also included Saxet Heights and My Sister Margaret.

And yet Jordan was confident in Shesagrump too, who had won or placed in a dozen stakes at Charles Town earlier in her career. Now conditioned by John Robb, Shesagrump too contested the four and a half-furlong Fancy Buckles Stakes at Charles Town two months earlier, and while she didn't place in that race, Jordan felt it set her up nicely for the Sadie Hawkins.

Gary Capuano-trained Jolie Ange surged to the front out of

the gate, but she wasn't alone. Come Here Oonga, part of Sydney Racing LLC's favored entry with My Sister Margaret ridden by Travis Dunkelberger, shot to the lead. As those two battled on the front end, jockey Oliver Castillo aboard Shesagrump too was content to stalk the pace along the inside before easing up alongside Dunkelberger's mount heading into the stretch.

Drifted five-wide by Come Here Oonga, who had shaken off Jolie Ange, Shesagrump too had enough left to push ahead for a length and a quarter win in 1:26.40.

"It set up kind of the way I figured it would set up," Castillo said. "[Jolie Ange] would go and hopefully somebody would push her. We were sitting in a good spot the whole way around there."

Come Here Oonga held on for second and Saxet Heights rallied for third. Jolie Ange tired late and finished fifth. My Sister Margaret was never a factor and finished last.

O'Sullivan Farms sires continued their banner season on August 21 with two of their offspring scoring jaw-dropping stakes victories.

In the \$50,000 Frank Gall Memorial Stakes for accredited state-bred 3-year-olds and up, the spectacular 3-year-old gray gelding **Black Belt** (by Prized) grabbed the lead at the

half-mile mark and won by one and a quarter lengths, covering seven furlongs in 1:26.24 under jockey Dale Beckner.

Prized, a son of Kris S., was a proven commodity before moving to O'Sullivan Farms for the 2006 season; he has added further stature this season as the broodmare sire of 3-year-old turf star Paddy O'Prado.

Black Belt won at odds of just over 7-1, and topped a field that included prohibitive favorite Russell Road (1-9 odds).

When Russell Road came up empty in the stretch and finished sixth, bridge jumpers jumped and show prices went through the roof. The second and third finishers, Peaceful Bliss and Raggedy Andy, started at double-digit odds, and rare show payoffs resulted. While Black Belt paid \$16.20 to win and \$4.80 to place, he returned \$61 to show. Peaceful Bliss returned \$7.80 and \$90.40. But the gasps came for Raggedy Andy, who rewarded his backers with \$145.80 for \$2 to show.

It was the third win—all stakes at Charles Town in his only starts at the track—in his last four outings. The Fast Break Racing Stable (Debbie Flanigin)-owned gelding came in off of a frontrunning victory against 3-year-olds in Charles Town's \$50,000 Robert G. Leavitt Stakes on August 7.

"He likes this bullring, that's for sure," trainer Gerald Bennett said. "We haven't run him on grass yet, and he's by Prized so he's got grass breeding in there. Sooner or later, we're going to take him on the turf. As long as you've got these races here with good money, we'll keep coming here."

Perhaps the allowance race preceding the Frank Gall Memorial was a portent, as **Printscess Poach**, a 3-year-old daughter of O'Sullivan Farms stallion Prints of Peace bred, owned and trained by Dale Shockey, pulled off an even more wager-defying victory, at odds of nearly 109-1. She went gate to wire under jockey Jesus Sanchez to win in 1:28.35.

Trainer Terry Socks saddled a stakes winner for owner/breeder Wade S. Sanderson in the Henry Mercer Memorial Stakes on August 20, a four

and a half-furlong test for West Virginia-bred 2-year-olds. Four of the five starters had won their previous time out at Charles Town. **Aaron's Way**, with Dunkelberger aboard, regrouped after giving way to Just Your Way at the quarter-mile mark and scored by a nose over Just Your Way for his second win in as many outings.

By Yes It's True, Aaron's Way is the first foal from Malibu Sue, a daughter of Malibu Moon who won the Eleanor M. Casey Memorial Stakes as a 2-year-old in 2005 and the following year added a victory in the West Virginia Division of Tourism Breeders Classic.

Behr waited until his 13th start—at age 5—to break his maiden, but he did it in spectacular style, crushing a field of maiden claimers by 14½ lengths on August 7 for his owner/

breeder, Rene Moore, and trainer David Smith III. Apprentice jockey Wesley Ho directed the Behrens gelding to the win.

Trainer Timothy Grams fielded his homebred 3-year-old filly **Ole Rocky Top** for an August 14 allowance victory. Apprentice rider Katie Reynolds coaxed the chestnut daughter of Rock Slide to a half-length victory in the four and a half-furlong sprint. The filly has won or placed in four of her five starts, all this year, earning \$40,380.

Green Spring Boy picked up an allowance win for owner Ray M. Pennington III and trainer Ollie Figgins III on August 15. The bay son of Race On Green out of Pulverize Spring (by Pulverizing) covered the seven furlongs in 1:27.24 under jockey Gerald Almodovar.

Travis Dunkelberger made a steady practice of vis-

iting the winner's circle in the hottest summer months, often winning by a wide margin. He notched a 13¼-length maiden special weight win aboard 3-year-old Regal Company for trainer David Walters on July 28, tallied a nine-length allowance win on Doug O'Neill-trained Faraday on August 4, and added a 13½-length win for trainer Ben Feliciano Jr. aboard claimer Polish Smile on August 22.

Dunkelberger had five additional allowance victories in August, including another aboard Regal Company on August 19.

Jockey **Sylvester Carmouche III** kept his own hot streak going in the summer by notching five allowance wins from late July into August, including three wins for trainer Joseph Yourchisin. ★

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BECKY GANNAWAY

Rebecca (Becky) Graves Gannaway, one of the first women to hold a trainer's license in the U.S., died on August 23 at the age of 80.

Mrs. Gannaway had worked as the switchboard operator at the Charles Town Races and Slots for the past 10 years.

After taking out her trainer's license in 1951, Mrs. Gannaway maintained a small farm near Waterford (now Mountaineer) Park for some 25 years, training race horses and buying and selling show horses.

It was there that she raised her four daughters, one of whom, the late Julie Snellings, had a successful career as a jockey in the 1970s until a racing accident left her a paraplegic. Ms. Snellings worked in the racing office at several Mid-

Atlantic tracks, and was employed year-round at Maryland tracks at the time of her death in August 2000.

TERESA GAROFALO

Teresa V. Garofalo, VMD, a board member and treasurer of the Pennsylvania Horse Breeders Association, died on August 21 at her Smokey's Run Farm in West Chester, Pa. She was 47, and had been fighting the effects of leukemia for more than three years.

Dr. Garofalo was an honors graduate of the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine, receiving her doctorate in 2000. Prior to that, she had spent three years as an undergraduate at the University of Kentucky, and two more at West Chester University. Upon her graduation from Penn, she

was the recipient of the Merck Award, given to one fourth-year student for academic achievement and potential.

She was a general practitioner on the staffs of the Delaware Equine Center in Cochranville, Pa., and Equine Veterinary Center in Elkton, Md., prior to establishing her own private practice in Chester County to focus on sport and race horses, and equine reproduction.

Dr. Garofalo and her husband, Dr. John A. Garofalo, established the Rhoads Six Foundation, which provides items of comfort to patients living with acute myeloid leukemia, research grants to further understand and treat the illness, and scholarships and awards to veterinary students.

The foundation's name is shared by a horse whose birth

Dr. Garofalo watched live from her room in the Rhoads 6 wing of the University of Pennsylvania's Abramson Cancer Center. Rhoads Six (by Awad) overcame health issues early in his life and raced twice as a 3-year-old at Philadelphia Park for the Garofalos this past summer.

IRV TILLMAN

Irvin C. Tillman, a prominent Maryland breeder in the 1970s and '80s, died on August 1 at the age of 91.

Mr. Tillman, former owner of Suburban Chevrolet in Baltimore, bought his first horse in 1978 and soon after purchased 150-acre Rolling Mill Farm near Shaws, Md.

Among his first broodmare purchases was Asbury Mary, a daughter of the obscure sire Seven Corners. Not long after the mare arrived at Rolling Mill, her daughter Jameela—who was not part of the deal—rose to fame and fortune as the 1981 and '82 Maryland-bred Horse of the Year and first female Maryland-bred runner to earn \$1 million. (Jameela added further luster as the dam of champion and major sire Gulch.)

Mr. Tillman subsequently added to his broodmare band, aiming for the national commercial market, and stood several stallions.

A native of Baltimore, Mr. Tillman earned a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Johns Hopkins University in 1941, and within a few years founded his own company, General Engineering Inc., in his home city. He sold the business to Grumman Corp. in 1969, and subsequently became involved in the automobile business. Retired since 1988, Mr. Tillman had lived in Wellington, Fla., for the past 13 years.

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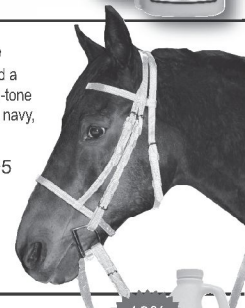
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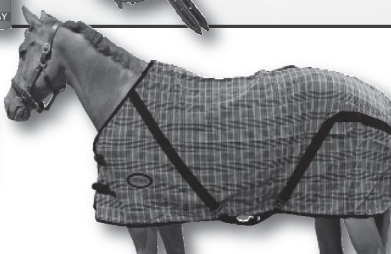


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GRADE 1 WINNER BULLSBAY ENTERS STUD AT NORTHVIEW

Whitney Handicap-G1 winner Bullsbay, one of leading sire Tiznow's best runners, has been retired to Northview Stallion Station in Chesapeake City, Md., for 2011. The 6-year-old, who will stand for \$5,000 live foal, becomes the first son of the two-time Breeders' Cup Classic-G1 winner and Horse of the Year to stand at stud in the Mid-Atlantic region.

Bullsbay earned \$923,245 during a 25-start career that spanned four seasons. He recorded seven victories, three

in stakes, topped by the 2009 Whitney.

Facing a field that included millionaires Commentator, Macho Again, Dry Martini and Smooth Air in the mile and an eighth Saratoga fixture for handicap horses, Bullsbay came from off the pace, surged past frontrunning two-time Whitney winner Commentator, and drew off to win by a length and a half over Macho Again. He earned a 107 Beyer speed figure off the effort.

In his next outing, Bullsbay recorded a 106 Beyer in the



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Grade 1 Woodward when finishing third, beaten a length and a half, by Horse of the Year Rachel Alexandra.

Bullsbay won or placed in six stakes in 2009. A victory in Churchill Downs's Grade 3 Alysheba Stakes at a mile and a sixteenth over Cool Coal Man followed a score in Laurel Park's mile and an eighth Harrison E. Johnson Memorial Handicap over a field that included eventual Grade 1 winner Richard's Kid and group winner Admiral's Cruise.

Other stakes efforts during his 11-start campaign at 5 included a second to Delightful Kiss in Gulfstream Park's Hal's Hope Stakes-G3 and a second to Richard's Kid in the John B. Campbell Handicap at Laurel. He finished fourth (in a dead heat with Arson Squad) behind Macho Again in a blanket finish with Asiatic Boy (Arg) and Einstein (Brz) in the Grade 1 Stephen Foster Handicap.

Nine times Bullsbay went to the post at 4, and finished in the top three in eight of them (with a fourth in the other). He counted victories in allowance company going a mile and a sixteenth at Churchill Downs and Santa Anita, and set a new track record for one mile over Del Mar's synthetic surface.

In the final start of his career this past July, Bullsbay

rallied to finish second in the mile and a sixteenth Sussex Stakes over a sloppy track at Delaware Park.

Out of the 100 percent producer, stakes-placed The Hess Express (by Lord Carson), Bullsbay is a half-brother to juvenile stakes winners Our Khrysty and Hidden Expression. Our Khrysty, an earner of \$172,260, has won or placed in six stakes from 14 starts, including three close second-place finishes in 2010. Hidden Expression won both her starts last year at 2, including the Colleen Stakes at Monmouth. The Hess Express's weanling filly by Lawyer Ron sold for \$275,000 at the 2009 Keeneland November Breeding Stock sale.

Bullsbay's multiple stakes-winning third dam, Grecian Comedy (\$384,879, Petrify H, etc.), is a half-sister to Grade 1-winning millionaire Grecian Flight. One of the top fillies in the crop of 1984, Grecian Flight earned \$1,320,215 while winning 14 stakes, topped by the Grade 1 Acorn.

Others found in the family include \$486,571-earner Anklet, winner of the Grade 3 Florida Derby; Alcibiades Stakes-G2 winner Bel Air Beauty; and All American Handicap winner and sire Evzone.



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SMASHING STAKES WINNER FOR DEPUTY STORM

Freshman sire Deputy Storm's precocious daughter Twelve Pack Shelly recorded her first stakes victory in Monmouth Park's Colleen Stakes on August 7.

Facing six rivals, the juvenile filly proved impossible to catch in the five and a half-furlong stakes, leading at nearly every call and crossing the wire a one-length winner. The John Salzman Jr.-trained bay filly, owned by Salzman in partnership with Danny Divver and George Greenwalt, got her third win in five starts, and boosted her earnings to \$111,200. Twelve Pack Shelly was purchased by Salzman for \$5,000 at Fasig-Tipton

Midlantic Eastern Fall Yearling sale.

Bred in Pennsylvania by Sycamore Hall Farm LLC from the Two Punch mare So Smashing, Twelve Pack Shelly was her sire's first winner when she dominated Maryland's first juvenile race of the year, a maiden special weight on April 8 at Laurel Park. The only filly in the field of six, she won by a dazzling 10¾ lengths in :50.83, shattering the four and a half-furlong track mark by more than a second.

Twelve Pack Shelly earned graded black-type in her second start when third in Churchill Downs's Kentucky Juvenile Stakes-G3 on April 30.

The sire of 27 first-crop 2-year-olds, Deputy Storm has three placed runners from four other starters (through August 18), and ranks 13th in the nation on the freshman sires list by earnings.

A 9-year-old son of Forestry out of two-time Canadian champion Deputy Jane West (by Silver Deputy), Deputy Storm won or placed in three of four starts at 2, taking Monmouth Park's Tyro Stakes by four lengths after leading the entire the five and a half-furlong trip, and finishing second in the Sapling Stakes-G3.

Other stakes efforts for the flashy bay included a victory in Oaklawn's King Cotton Stakes at 4 and second-place finish in the Hutcheson Stakes-G2 at 3, the latter while storming through splits of :21.68, :43.73 and 1:08.96 before being caught by Limehouse in the seven-furlong contest. Deputy Storm retired with four wins and two seconds from 11 starts, for earnings of \$183,465.



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A half-brother to multiple stakes-winning, graded stakes-placed Bag Lady Jane, an earner of \$233,736, Deputy Storm is from the family of top sires Ack Ack, Tom Rolfe, Sham and Chieftain.

Deputy Storm stood the 2010 season at Northview Stallion Station in Chesapeake City, Md., for \$2,000 live foal.

FANTASTICAT GETS FIRST STAKES WINNER

Maryland Stallion Station's young sire Fantasticat got his first stakes winner on August 27 with a sensational effort from his juvenile daughter Ann's Mink in the \$50,000 Rachel's Turn Stakes at Charles Town. Making just her second career start, Ann's Mink was game to the finish in the four and a half-furlong sprint, winning by three-quarters of a length after battling runner-up A Good Run the entire trip.

A homebred for Samuel D. Engle's Willowdale Farms Ltd. trained by Clovis Crane, Ann's Mink reversed the order of finish of her first start, when she was third to Blushing B. J. (who finished third as favorite in the Rachel's Turn) and A

Good Run in a maiden special weight at the same distance on August 4.

The dark bay West Virginia-bred filly, a mid-May foal from Fantasticat's second crop, is out of Britt's Quest, by Opening Verse. She is a three-quarter sister to \$127,051-earner Eagle Speed, a multiple juvenile stakes winner by Storm Cat's son Coastal Storm.

Fantasticat, also by Storm Cat, is out of the graded stakes-winning Alydar mare Lotta Dancing, an earner of \$358,201 who won or placed in nine stakes (seven graded), and finished third or better in 20 of her 25 career starts. Lotta Dancing's elegant bay son entered stud at Maryland Stal-

lion Station in 2006 as a graded stakes winner of \$447,984.

His best season came at 3 when he captured the Grade 2 Super Derby at a mile and an eighth over a muddy track. Among those he defeated in the \$500,000 stakes were Grade 1-winning multimillionaire Borrego, Kentucky Derby-G1-placed multiple graded stakes winner Imperialism and multiple stakes winner Britt's Jules.

Fantasticat won or placed in 14 of his 23 starts. His stakes placings included seconds in Arlington Park's Round Table Stakes and Louisiana Downs's Prelude Stakes, the latter after his late-charging rally fell a neck short to South Africa.

Fantasticat descends from a classic family. His granddam is the highly accomplished Lotka (by Danzig), a full sister to multiple Grade 1-winning millionaire Stephan's Odyssey, the second-place finisher in the 1985 Kentucky Derby-G1 and Belmont Stakes-G1. Lotka

won eight stakes, including the Grade 1 Acorn, and earned \$721,804. Her 10 other foals to race included four additional stakes horses, topped by Japanese multimillionaire Mambo Twist.

Fantasticat's third dam, Kennelot, is a half-sister to Kentucky Derby-G1 winner and sire Cannonade. Tracing directly back to the influential mare Cosmah, a half-sister to Northern Dancer's dam Natalma, Fantasticat also has in his pedigree such illustrious names as leading sire Halo, champion Tosmah and sires Maribeu, Fathers Image and Circle Home, and 2010 Kentucky Derby-G1 leading prospect Eskendereya.

Fantasticat, who remains under the management of Maryland Stallion Station, has stood at Bonita Farm in Darlington, Md., since 2009. The 9-year-old's stud fee this past season was \$4,000 live foal.

STREET MAGICIAN LAUNCHES NEW CAREER AT NORTHVIEW

Street Magician, a graded stakes-winning sprinter from the first crop of major international sire Street Cry (Ire), has been retired to stand his first season at Northview Stallion Station in Chesapeake City, Md., in 2011.

Street Magician won half of his 10 career starts while campaigning for his breeder, R. Larry Johnson, and earned \$254,440. Three of his wins were in stakes, with his graded score coming in the Grade 3 Hirsch Jacobs for 3-year-olds on Preakness Day. He proved game when driving up the rail in the six-furlong test and got up to win by a length.

Earlier that season, Street Magician captured Gulfstream Park's \$125,000 Aventura Stakes in his stakes debut, getting seven furlongs in a solid 1:22.38. His first win, a six-furlong maiden special weight at Gulfstream Park in his second

career start, merited a 100 Beyer speed figure.

Street Magician's synthetic debut resulted in a track record at Presque Isle Downs. Leading throughout the five and a half-furlong \$100,000 Karl Boyes Memorial Northwestern PA Stakes, he cruised home by two and three-quarters lengths and earned a 102 Beyer while stopping the clock in 1:02.24.

Described by Northview's Richard Golden as "an exceptionally fast race horse" and "very correct stallion" Street Magician is the first son of Street Cry to stand in the Mid-Atlantic region.

Out of the Meadowlake mare Magical Meadow, Street Magician is a half-brother to four other winners, including Spinning Magic, an earner of \$272,385 in Japan. His grandmother, stakes winner Special Kell, is a half-sister to stakes horses Turn to T. J., a track



ADAM COULWSE

record-setting stakes winner of \$137,133 and dam of stakes winners Star Trace and T. J.'s Turn, and stakes-placed \$174,005-earner Hi Earl.

The prolific family, well known in the Mid-Atlantic region, has nearly two dozen stakes horses descending from

Street Magician's third dam, Ran's Chick, including stakes winners Niclie, Partners Due, Final Table and What It Is.

Street Magician, now 6, will stand for \$3,000 live foal, payable when the foal stands and nurses.

TEXTBOOK'S FIRST WINNER TEACHES LESSON

Cool Sam, a 3-year-old gelding from the second small crop of Pennsylvania sire Textbook, romped to a 16½-length win on August 9 at Suffolk Downs. The chestnut, overlooked at odds of 10-1, defeated seven in the mile and 70-yard maiden race.

Bred by Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Ray Moyer in Pennsylvania, Cool Sam competes for owner/

trainer Louis Tisbert. He is out of Coolassam, a winning daughter of Hazaam.

The Moyers own Textbook, and stand the 12-year-old chestnut stallion at their farm in Perkasio, Pa. A son of Horse of the Year Conquistador Cielo, Textbook is a winning half-brother to five-time graded stakes winner Its Acedemic (by Sauce Boat).

A winner of the Grade 2 Stuyvesant Handicap, the Grade 3 Stymie Handicap twice, as well as the Grade 3 Queens County and Assault Handicaps, Its Acedemic earned \$931,228. His graded stakes placings included a second in the Grade 1 Woodward Handicap to champion Easy Goer.

Textbook's dam, the Arts and Letters mare After School, also produced graded stakes-placed Twining and Dining (\$87,580, 3rd Martha Washington Breeders' Cup S-G3) and French Degree, granddam of stakes winner Double Degree.

The female line of Textbook traces back to the blue hen mare Iltis (his fourth dam). His

third dam, Rough'n Tumble's unraced daughter Me Next, is a full sister to champion My Dear Girl and multiple stakes winner Treasure Chest, both influential producers. Among the descendants of Me Next are champion Mizoram, Preakness Stakes-G1 winner and sire Tank's Prospect, and graded winners Limit Out, Kays and Jays and Dixie Luck.

Textbook is the sire of six foals in his first two crops, including the placed runner Playin Hard to Get. He has 10 current 2-year-olds in his third crop. The stallion has been offered free to Pennsylvania foaling mares.

GRADE 1 SIRE CITIDANCER DEAD AT 23

Pensioned Maryland sire Citidancer, who launched his brilliant stud career at the Pons family's Country Life Farm in 1991, was euthanized due to complications from laminitis on August 11. The 23-year-old son of Dixieland Band was buried at his long-time home in Bel Air.

A sire of 29 stakes winners, including Grade 1 winners Urbane and Hookedonthe-feelin, Citidancer boasted impressive numbers from limited opportunities, due to fertility problems he encountered throughout his career. The sharp-looking chestnut was inbred 2 x 4 to Northern Dancer (his third dam was Canadian Horse of the Year Lauries Dancer, by Northern Dancer).

"That inbreeding gave him a touch of brilliance, at the races and in the stud," said Country Life manager Josh Pons. "But perhaps it also contributed to his infertility. He had a fine libido. He was just unpredictable settling his mares."

From his first crop of 38 foals in 1992, Citidancer sired 28 winners, five of them stakes winners, the best being his dazzling daughter Urbane. A seven-time stakes winner and earner of \$1,018,568, the classy filly was Grade 1-placed at 2 (second in the Hollywood Starlet Stakes), and captured the Grade 1 Ashland Stakes at 3 and John A. Morris Handicap-G1 at 4.

Campaigned by Jan, Mace and Samantha Siegel, who purchased her for \$25,000 at the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Eastern Fall Yearling sale, Urbane was named Maryland-bred champion filly each of the three years she competed. At stud, she produced for the Siegels

millionaire Suave, a freshman sire of 2010.

Citidancer's quick start at stud boosted interest at the sales. His third crop included graded stakes winner Latin Dancer, who set a then-record as the highest-priced auction yearling sold in Maryland when he realized a price of \$210,000 at the 1995 Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Eastern Fall sale.

Country Life Farm bred the filly Hookedonthe-feelin, and sold her as a weanling for \$38,000. The next year Mike Pegram went to \$110,000 for the chestnut filly, and she became Citidancer's next Grade 1 winner when taking the La Brea Stakes at Santa Anita at 3. Hookedonthe-feelin earned \$488,554 for Pegram during her career, and then produced as her first foal multiple Grade 1 winner Pussycat Doll, who earned \$797,183 in Pegram's colors. Twice Hookedonthe-feelin has gone through the sales ring as a broodmare—selling for \$1,525,000 in 2002 and \$2.9 million in 2006.

Citidancer is also the sire of graded stakes winners Cherokee's Boy (\$1,177,946) and Park Avenue Ball (\$1,049,360), two young stallions standing at stud in the Mid-Atlantic region, as well as former Maryland sire Disco Rico (\$532,244), who now stands in New York.

A half-brother to Grade 1 winners Will's Way and Willa On the Move (out of Willamae, by Tentam), Citidancer won his first three races by a total of 36 lengths before finishing second to champion sprinter Housebuster in the Grade 1 Jerome Handicap. He exited that race with a fractured sesamoid, and was retired with earnings of \$80,022.

Stallions new to region

BULLSBAY, b., 2004, by Tiznow—The Hess Express, by Lord Carson. G1SW, 7 wins, \$923,245. Northview Stallion Station, P.O. Box 89, 55 Northern Dancer Dr., Chesapeake City, Md. 21915. (410) 885-2855, fax 885-5985; e-mail: info@northviewstallions.com; www.northviewstallions.com. \$5,000 live foal, payable when foal stands and nurses. Stands first season in 2011.

STREET MAGICIAN, b., 2004, by Street Cry (Ire)—Magical Meadow, by Meadowlake. GSW, 5 wins, \$254,440. Northview Stallion Station, P.O. Box 89, 55 Northern Dancer Dr., Chesapeake City, Md. 21915. (410) 885-2855, fax 885-5985; e-mail: info@northviewstallions.com; www.northviewstallions.com. \$3,000 live foal, payable when foal stands and nurses. Stands first season in 2011.

First stakes winners

DEPUTY STORM, b., 2001, by Forestry—Deputy Jane West, by Silver Deputy; Syndicate at Northview Stallion Station, P.O. Box 89, 55 Northern Dancer Dr., Chesapeake City, Md. 21915. (410) 885-2855, fax 885-5985; e-mail: info@northviewstallions.com; www.northviewstallions.com. \$2,000 live foal, payable when foal stands and nurses

TWELVE PACK SHELLY, f.08, out of So Smashing, by Two Punch. \$100,000 Colleen S, 5½ fur, 2-year-old fillies, Monmouth Park, Aug. 7. B-Sycamore Hall Farm (Pa.); O-John E. Salzman Jr., Danny Divver and George Greenwalt.

FANTASTICAT, b., 2001, by Storm Cat—Lotta Dancing, by Alydar; Syndicate at Maryland Stallion Station LLC at Bonita Farm, 3745 Harmony Church Rd., P.O. Box 366, Darlington, Md. 21034-0366. (410) 879-5324, (410) 734-6906, fax (410) 734-6789; e-mail: info@bonita farm.com; www.bonitafarm.com; Don Litz cell (443) 253-2856; don@marylandstallions.com; www.marylandstallions.com. \$4,000 live foal.

ANN'S MINK, f.08, out of Britt's Quest, by Opening Verse. \$50,000 Rachel's Turn S, 4½ fur, 2-year-old fillies, Charles Town, Aug. 27. B/O-Willowdale Farms Ltd. (W.Va.).

First winner

TEXTBOOK, ch., 1998, by Conquistador Cielo—After School, by Arts and Letters; Melvin Ray Moyer at Melvin Ray Moyer Farm, 2927 Rickert Rd., Perkaspie, Pa. 18944. (215) 249-1826, (267) 446-4697 cell. Free to Pa. foaling mares.

COOL SAM, g.07, out of Coolassam, by Hazaam. Suffolk Downs, Aug. 9, M5000, 1 mi., 70 yds. B-Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Ray Moyer (Pa.); O-Louis Tisbert. Value to winner \$4,260.

Citidancer was retired from active stud duty in 2005, but was bred to a handful of Country Life's own mares in 2006. The two resulting foals include The Last Dancer, his last registered foal, born on March 3, 2007, and a maiden special weight winner at 2.

From 15 crops, Citidancer sired 356 foals, an average of fewer than 24 foals per crop (his largest crop was his first). To date, he has 86 percent winners from starters (254/296) and lifetime average earnings per starter of \$85,218, which ranks him second among Maryland sires with current runners. His total progeny earnings are in excess of \$25.2 million.

Citidancer has gone on to become a successful broodmare sire—of his 113 daughters with foals of racing age, 30 have produced stakes horses.

"He's always had a lot of class and personality," said Pons of the aging stallion in 2009. "Everybody loves him."

STALLION RANKINGS

Mid-Atlantic region leading sires in 2010

Top 65 stallions who currently stand or concluded their careers in Maryland, New Jersey, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Virginia and West Virginia. These statistics were supplied by Bloodstock Research Information Services (BRIS). Exact date is at the discretion of BRIS. †Denotes freshman sire. The following statistics, complete through September 8, reflect 2010 earnings from the following countries—Canada, England, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Puerto Rico, U.A.E. and the U.S. Statistics from Australia, Japan, Hong Kong and countries in South America are not included.

	Foals	Runners	Starts	Winners	Races Won	Leading Earner	Earnings	%Whrs./Runners	Avg./Runner
1. Not For Love (Md)	732	177	935	91	134	Together Indy (\$153,383)	\$3,223,290	51	\$18,211
2. Jump Start (Pa)	355	138	683	68	108	Rail Trip (\$280,000)	2,408,610	49	17,454
3. Lion Hearted (Md)	422	149	840	72	111	Roaring Lion (\$162,100)	2,290,380	48	15,372
4. Louis Quatorze (Md)	685	144	746	56	86	Sweet Goodbye (\$227,750)	1,895,260	39	13,162
5. Toccet (Pa)	186	110	616	49	77	Ventana (\$163,485)	1,760,930	45	16,008
6. Outflanker (Md)	382	90	612	53	93	Jack On the Rocks (\$66,400)	1,528,960	59	16,988
7. Wiseman's Ferry (Pa)	211	114	647	51	85	Favorite Flavor (\$94,700)	1,443,300	45	12,661
8. Cat Thief (Pa)	371	97	609	47	82	Dr. W (\$113,950)	1,345,420	48	13,870
9. Honour and Glory (Pa)	958	143	742	62	95	Honorable Truth (\$59,400)	1,336,660	43	9,347
10. Snow Ridge (Pa)	219	74	450	39	69	A Unique Treasure (\$157,009)	1,331,720	53	17,996
11. Domestic Dispute (Md)	220	98	508	40	54	Weeper (\$96,910)	1,158,020	41	11,817
12. Greatness (Pa)	135	64	299	31	45	Jenny's So Great (\$137,691)	1,108,050	48	17,313
13. Partner's Hero (Pa)	358	79	407	27	37	Two Notch Road (\$185,780)	1,092,860	34	13,834
14. Delaware Township (Pa)	225	88	515	43	67	Mannington (\$141,410)	1,085,460	49	12,335
15. Pure Precision (Pa)	109	49	300	27	55	Tight Precision (\$201,600)	1,064,160	55	21,718
16. Dance With Ravens (Md)	147	72	372	29	44	Afternoon Treat (\$93,500)	1,025,760	40	14,247
17. Defrere (NJ)	501	78	380	17	24	Jersey Kiss (\$102,750)	998,047	22	12,795
18. Black Tie Affair (Ire) (deceased)	794	72	363	31	42	Argent Affair (\$106,467)	912,676	43	12,676
19. Action This Day (Pa)	174	84	481	36	50	Jules J (\$59,327)	906,302	43	10,789
20. Rock Slide (Md)	155	61	316	27	34	Phosphorescent (\$90,820)	901,667	44	14,781
21. Medallist (Pa)	80	42	170	18	30	Ibboyee (\$260,210)	879,449	43	20,939
22. Two Punch (Md)	975	69	337	34	56	Dixieland Knockout (\$71,600)	874,982	49	12,681
23. Albert the Great (Pa)	260	73	355	34	49	Run Richie Run (\$54,492)	814,142	47	11,153
24. Great Notion (Md)	79	40	196	23	36	Lucky Notion (\$90,440)	779,790	57	19,495
25. Luftikus (WV)	194	65	314	27	35	Plantation (\$73,600)	756,405	42	11,637
26. Formal Dinner (Pa)	561	66	381	32	40	Poppa's Pick (\$85,220)	720,005	48	10,909
27. Trust N Luck (Pa)	155	63	335	28	46	Gentle Edwin (\$73,600)	718,023	44	11,397
28. Eavesdropper (Pa)	126	66	291	33	48	Hear No Angel (\$57,110)	702,809	50	10,649
29. Pized (WV)	518	37	204	19	29	Premio Loco (\$200,272)	688,005	51	18,595
30. Lite the Fuse (Pa)	470	56	335	21	36	Going Ballistic (\$69,050)	685,979	38	12,250
31. Windsor Castle (WV)	79	32	154	19	28	Down Town Allen (\$186,220)	666,426	59	20,826
32. Oratory (Md)	96	47	231	20	26	Miz Maggie Mae (\$49,500)	627,048	43	13,341
33. Real Quiet (Pa)	360	55	314	24	30	Quiet Again (\$139,400)	626,894	44	11,398
34. Mojave Moon (Md)	180	46	291	21	34	Moon Royal (\$164,178)	606,468	46	13,184
35. Two Smart (deceased)	34	3	11	1	2	Researcher (\$594,600)	595,915	33	198,638
36. During (WV)	120	62	300	25	34	Ultimate Class (\$75,894)	580,996	40	9,371
37. Lido Palace (Chi) (Pa)	138	58	343	24	40	Vineyard Haven (\$70,000)	554,815	41	9,566
38. Gulf Storm (Pa)	172	39	247	15	31	Category Seven (\$166,150)	509,574	38	13,066
39. Alex's Pal (Pa)	65	33	211	15	23	C C's Pal (\$132,336)	494,426	45	14,983
40. Wheaton (deceased)	329	36	161	15	22	Hollywood Left (\$106,220)	475,541	42	13,209
41. Bop (WV)	87	40	181	18	24	Rock to Bop (\$53,380)	461,496	45	11,537
42. Gators N Bears (Md)	74	32	122	16	18	Gator Bay (\$61,800)	417,610	50	13,050
43. Go for Gin (Md)	358	43	226	17	20	Bootleg Annie (\$66,368)	417,481	40	9,709
44. Yarrow Brae (WV)	247	40	182	18	24	Hill Crossing (\$56,660)	405,774	45	10,144
45. Seeking Daylight (deceased)	77	21	124	16	26	Desert Daylight (\$53,830)	388,182	76	18,485
46. Smooth Jazz (Pa)	92	39	194	12	15	Mean Sax (\$88,719)	363,706	31	9,326
47. Mo Mon (NJ)	66	27	86	5	6	Moneigh Lisa (\$111,600)	361,627	19	13,394
48. Freefourinternet (Pa)	59	23	144	12	22	Tanzana (\$85,191)	356,451	52	15,498
49. Crowd Pleaser (deceased)	138	18	98	15	23	Maddy's Crowd (\$74,200)	354,209	83	19,678
50. Meadow Monster (WV)	322	34	147	14	24	Monster Boots (\$45,860)	351,531	41	10,339
51. Siphon (Brz) (Pa)	528	38	184	10	16	Love Ridge (\$104,400)	337,121	26	8,872
52. Don Six (NJ)	34	20	102	10	17	Six Gun City (\$116,850)	332,870	50	16,644
53. Activist (Pa)	86	17	123	9	14	Speechifying (\$93,766)	330,334	53	19,431
54. Crafty Friend (NJ)	333	45	221	18	25	Ever a Friend (\$56,100)	324,094	40	7,202
55. Will's Way (pensioned)	199	20	117	11	18	Reflected Way (\$88,710)	312,938	55	15,647
56. Close Up (NJ)	102	18	91	4	7	Kelly's Pic (\$78,120)	311,233	22	17,291
57. Housebuster (deceased)	552	32	171	14	19	Pillow Pal (\$33,642)	296,126	44	9,254
58. Changeintheweather (Pa)	98	40	201	13	19	Changing Vista (\$44,447)	292,747	33	7,319
59. Makin (WV)	179	28	153	13	22	Oyez Oyez (\$85,825)	282,184	46	10,078
60. Caller I. D. (deceased)	514	30	155	11	14	Sprig of Lilac (\$35,610)	279,034	37	9,301
61. Kokand (pensioned)	469	38	174	10	18	Singin the Blues (\$32,140)	277,176	26	7,294
62. Private Interview (NJ)	200	25	130	4	5	Sweet Talking Gal (\$46,000)	270,451	16	10,818
63. Way West (Fr) (deceased)	332	34	199	12	16	Hasufel (\$28,065)	269,959	35	7,940
64. Evening Kris (deceased)	141	11	75	5	8	Evenings End (\$85,400)	261,351	45	23,759
65. Allen's Prospect (deceased)	1,049	18	96	7	12	All Giving (\$79,900)	255,226	39	14,179

Mid-Atlantic-bred stakes winners

MD-bred: BEN'S CAT, FASCINATIN' RHYTHM, RICHARD'S KID. NJ-bred: HOP SKIP AND AWAY, LOVE THAT DANCE. PA-bred: CROW'S NEST, DIVINE FORTUNE, FUGITIVE ANGEL, RUSTLER HUSTLER, RYAN'S GIFT, SWEET AUGUST MOON, TWELVE PACK SHELLY. VA-bred: POSITION LIMIT. WV-bred: AARON'S WAY, ANN'S MINK, BLACK BELT, DOWN TOWN ALLEN, MR. PROUD ALLEN, SHESAGRUMPTOO.

POSITION LIMIT'S ADIRONDACK STAKES-G2 POINTS TO UNLIMITED HORIZONS

After many years of operating as the mostly private preserve of owner Joe L. Allbritton, Lazy Lane Farms in Upperville, Va., is making the transition to an "almost totally commercial" breeding establishment, reports the farm's president, Frank Shipp.

Most of Lazy Lane's 2008 foal crop, which totaled 17, was offered for sale. Sold at auction as yearlings were seven youngsters by Aragorn (Ire), Bellamy Road, E Dubai, Hennessy, Malibu Moon, Quiet American and Stormy Atlantic.

As might be expected, several of the Lazy Lane yearlings far exceeded the \$55,000 received for a daughter of Bellamy Road (out of Payable On Demand, by Out of Place) at the Fasig-Tipton Kentucky July sale.

But that filly—named Position Limit—has already gone a long way to boost Lazy Lane's reputation in the commercial marketplace.

She is also the first graded stakes winner for freshman sire Bellamy Road, a Grade 1-winning son of Concerto who

stands at Pauls Mill farm in Versailles, Ky.

Trained by Todd Pletcher for Jack and Laurie Wolf's Starlight Partners, her purchaser at the sale, Position Limit was making just her second career start when she drew off to a five-length score in the \$150,000 Adirondack Stakes-G2, a coveted Saratoga fixture that had its 94th running on August 15.

Never far off the pace in the six and a half-furlong stakes timed in swift early fractions of :21.72 and :45.07, Position Limit took the lead in upper stretch and finished in 1:17.30. The 1.55-1 favorite in a field of 10, she earned \$90,000 for her first stakes score.

Her maiden-breaking victory had come on July 14 in special weight company at Belmont Park, when she aired by six and three-quarters lengths, defeating mostly first-time starters over a muddy (sealed) track at five and a half furlongs.

Position Limit is one of only two foals bred by Lazy Lane from Payable On Demand, who was purchased by the Virginia establishment for



\$50,000 at the 2006 Keeneland November sale, in foal to Holy Bull. "She was a big, attractive nice-looking mare, and a winner with just enough pedigree," recalls Shipp.

Payable On Demand's Holy Bull filly, Mollie's Bull, brought only \$1,000 at the 2008 Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Eastern Fall Yearling sale, and is so far unraced. The mare's first foal, the now 4-year-old Ecton Park son Lardhy, has not made it to the races either. In light of those disappointments, Lazy Lane consigned Payable On Demand to the 2009 Keeneland January sale, where she sold for \$18,000, in foal to Bernstein.

"We're happy for the people who bought her," says Shipp, of the 9-year-old mare whose value has obviously skyrocketed.

Payable On Demand, who won one of 11 starts and earned \$20,935, is a half-sister to stakes winners Sum Trick (\$145,291) and Disappearing Trick (\$106,215), full brothers by Favorite Trick who each made their mark in the Riley Allison Futurity.

Bellamy Road was chosen as a mate for Payable On Demand because he appeared to offer good value—entering stud for a fee of \$10,000—and because his pedigree offered an intriguing opportunity for inbreeding, explains Shipp.

Payable On Demand's sire, Out of Place, comes from the same female family as Bellamy Road. Out of Place's dam, Arabian Dancer (by Damascus), traces back three generations in the pedigree of Bellamy Road's dam, Hurry Home Hillary (by Deputed Testimony).

STAKES WINNERS

Maryland-bred

BEN'S CAT

Mister Diz Stakes

\$50,000-guaranteed, 6 fur., turf, registered Maryland-breds, 3 & up.
Laurel Park, Aug. 21.

	Storm Cat	Storm Bird	Northern Dancer			
			South Ocean			
	Parker's Storm Cat	Terlingua	Secretariat			
			Crimson Saint			
	Macoumba	Mr. Prospector	Raise a Native			
			Gold Digger			
		Maximova (Fr)	Green Dancer			
			Baracala			
	Ben's Cat, dk.b./br.g., 2006		*Noholme II			
		Nodouble	Aba-Jay			
	Thirty Eight Paces	Thirty Paces	Dancing Count			
			Bank Book Sadye			
	Twofox	Drone	Sir Gaylord			
			Cap and Bells			
	Dronette	Stacey d'Ette	*Pago Pago			
			Roger Ann			
			earnings			
08-09	starts	1st	2nd	3rd		
10 (sw)	unraced	5 (1)	0	0		\$92,460 (through Aug. 21)

2010: 1st \$50,000 **Mister Diz S**, 6 fur., turf, registered Md.-breds, 3 & up, Laurel, Aug. 21.

Bred by K.T. Leatherbury Assoc. Inc. (Md.); owned by The Jim Stable; trained by King T. Leatherbury.

Sire: **PARKER'S STORM CAT**, dk.b./br., 00, stands at Gibson Thoroughbred Farm, Thorp, Wash.

Dam: **TWOFOX**, dk.b./br., 93, bred by K.T. Leatherbury Assoc. Inc. (Md.). Raced 3 years, 23 starts, 3 wins at 3 and 4, \$76,753, 2nd Pearl Necklace S, 3rd Maryland Million Ladies S.

00 My Nin, dk.b./br.f. by Citidancer. Raced 3 years, 15 starts, 6 wins, 2 to 4, \$90,610. Producer.

01 Two T's, b.g. by Rinka Das. Raced 6 years, 52 starts, 5 wins, 2 to 4, \$67,665.

02 Too Sly, b.g. by Tamayaz. Raced 3 years, 15 starts, 1 win at 3, \$11,435.

03 Barren.

04 Best, dk.b./br.f. by Lion Hearted. Unraced.

05 Hound, dk.b./br.g. by Crowd Pleaser. Raced 3 years, 21 starts, 4 wins, 3 to 5, \$76,970.

06 **BEN'S CAT**, dk.b./br.g. by Parker's Storm Cat.

07 Pair, dk.b./br.g. by Lion Hearted. Raced 1 year, 5 starts at 3, 0 wins, \$0.

08 dk.b./br.f. by Dance With Ravens.

10 Barren.

FASCINATIN' RHYTHM

Jameela Stakes

\$50,000-guaranteed, 6 fur., turf, registered Maryland-bred fillies and mares,
3 & up. Laurel Park, Aug. 14.

	Southern Halo	Halo	Hail to Reason			
			Cosmah			
	More Than Ready	Northern Sea	Northern Dancer			
			Sea Saga			
	Woodman's Girl	Woodman	Mr. Prospector			
			Playmate			
		Becky Be Good	Naskra			
	Fascinatin' Rhythm, dk.b./br.m., 2005		Good Landing			
		Gate Dancer	Sovereign Dancer			
	Green Alligator		Sun Gate			
		La Reine Rouge	King's Bishop			
	April Gator	Caveat	Silver Betsy			
			Cannonade			
	Don't Be Foolish	Scarlet Fool	Cold Hearted			
			Dynastic			
			Cherry Fool			
			earnings			
07	starts	1st	2nd	3rd		
08	unraced					\$ 95,720
09	8	4	2 (2)	0		
10 (sw)	8	0	2 (2)	3 (1)		54,923
	6	1 (1)	0	2 (1)		43,220
	22	5 (1)	4 (4)	5 (2)		\$193,863 (through Aug. 14)

2008: 2nd **Northern Dancer S**, **Squan Song S**. 2009: 2nd **Squan Song S**, **Nellie Morse S**; 3rd **Barbara Fritchie H-G2**. 2010: 1st \$50,000 **Jameela S**, 6 fur., turf, registered Md.-bred fillies and mares, 3 & up, Laurel, Aug. 14; 3rd **Correction H**.

Bred and owned by Buckingham Farm (Md.); trained by Richard W. Small.

Sire: **MORE THAN READY**, dk.b./br., 97, stands at Vinery, Lexington, Ky.

Dam: **APRIL GATOR**, b., 95, bred by Anderson Fowler (Tex.). Raced 3 years, 14 starts, 4 wins, 2 to 4, \$101,034, Cincinnati Trophy S, 2nd Valdale S. (FTM Dec 08—\$8,000 in foal to Dance With Ravens)

01 Alligator Tears, dk.b./br.g. by Concern. Raced 2 years, 9 starts, 2 wins at 3, \$22,571.

02 Charlie Moloney, gr./ro.c. by Two Punch. Raced 3 years, 6 starts, 2 to 4, 0 wins, \$1,690.

03 Salt Cay, b.c. by Polish Numbers. Raced 2 years, 20 starts, 3 wins at 3 and 4, \$93,750.

04 Catch of the Day, dk.b./br.f. by Two Punch. Unraced.

05 **FASCINATIN' RHYTHM**, dk.b./br.f. by More Than Ready.

07 Knockout Punch, gr./ro.c. by Two Punch. Raced 2 years, 16 starts, 2 wins at 2 and 3, \$36,567.

08 Gators Galore, b.c. by Gators N Bears. Unraced. (FTM Dec 08—\$3,000)

09 Got Me On the Go, b.f. by Dance With Ravens.

10 b.f. by Stormello.

RICHARD'S KID

Pacific Classic Stakes-G1

\$1,000,000-guaranteed, 1¼ mi., 3 & up. Del Mar, Aug. 28.

	Kingmambo	Mr. Prospector	Raise a Native			
			Gold Digger			
	Lemon Drop Kid	Miesque	Nureyev			
			Pasadoble			
	Charming Lassie	Seattle Slew	Bold Reasoning			
		Lassie Dear	My Charmer			
	Richard's Kid, dk.b./br.h., 2005		Buckpasser			
		Ack Ack	Gay Missile			
	Broad Brush		Battle Joined			
		Hay Patcher	Fast Turn			
	Tough Broad		Hoist the Flag			
		Private Account	Turn to Talent			
	Richard's Choice		Damascus			
		Twenty Six Girl	Numbered Account			
			Blade			
			Vegas Vixen			
			earnings			
07	starts	1st	2nd	3rd		
08	3	0	0	0		\$ 3,530
09 (sw)	7	3	1	3		65,000
10 (sw)	11	3 (2)	1 (1)	2 (1)		732,840
	5	2 (2)	0	2 (2)		765,000
	26	8 (4)	2 (1)	7 (3)		\$1,566,370 (through Aug. 28)

2009: 1st \$50,000 **John B. Campbell H**, 1¼ mi., 3 & up, Laurel, Feb. 14; \$1,000,000 **Pacific Classic S-G1**, 1¼ mi., 3 & up, Del Mar, Sept. 6; 2nd **Cougar II H**; 3rd **Goodwood Breeders' Cup S-G1**. 2010: 1st \$150,000 **San Antonio H-G2**, 1¼ mi., 4 & up, Santa Anita, Feb. 7; \$1,000,000 **Pacific Classic S-G1**, 1¼ mi., 3 & up, Del Mar, Aug. 28; 3rd **Hollywood Gold Cup H-G1**, **Cougar II H-G3**.

Bred by Fitzhugh LLC (Md.); owned by Zabeel Racing International Corp.; trained by Bob Baffert.

Sire: **LEMON DROP KID**, b., 96, stands at Lane's End, Versailles, Ky.

Dam: **TOUGH BROAD**, b., 92, bred by Robert E. Meyeroff (Md.). Raced 5 years, 49 starts, 8 wins, 2 to 5, \$395,132, Bayou Breeders' Cup H, Twin Lights S, Shrewsbury S, Vineland H, Omnibus S, John McSorley S, 2nd All Brandy S twice, Little Silver S, Jersey Blues S, 3rd Noble Damsel H-G3, Bayou Breeders' Cup H, April Run S. (Kee Nov 07—\$22,000)

00 Polish Broad, b.f. by Polish Numbers. Raced 2 years, 9 starts, 2 wins at 3, \$41,380. Died 2004.

01 Tough Kid, b.g. by Carson City. Raced 5 years, 54 starts, 7 wins at 3, 5 and 6, \$127,410.

02 Slipped.

04 Eagle Beagle, b.g. by Lemon Drop Kid. Raced 4 years, 40 starts, 11 wins, 3 to 6, \$124,946.

05 **RICHARD'S KID**, dk.b./br.c. by Lemon Drop Kid.

06 Serra, dk.b./br.c. by Not For Love. Raced 1 year, 3 starts at 3, 0 wins, \$720.

07 Slipped.

New Jersey-bred

HOP SKIP AND AWAY

Colts Neck Handicap

\$100,000-guaranteed, 6 fur., registered New Jersey-breds, 3 & up.
Monmouth Park, Aug. 22.

	Forty Niner	Mr. Prospector	Raise a Native			
			Gold Digger			
	Gold Fever	File	Tom Rolfe			
			Continue			
	Lead Kindly Light	Majestic Light	Majestic Prince			
			Irradiate			
	Hop Skip and Away, b.g., 2005	Arabian Dancer	Damascus			
			Ten Cents a Dance			
	Gulch	Mr. Prospector	Raise a Native			
			Gold Digger			
	Wingspread	Jameela	Rambunctious			
			Asbury Mary			
	Grecian Flight	Cormorant	His Majesty			
			Song Sparrow			
		Green Greek	Green Ticket			
			Athena the Great			

09 Barren

03 Exterior Motive, dk.b./br.f. by Allen's Prospect. Unraced. Died 2005. (FTM Oct 04—\$28,000; FTM May 05—\$45,000)

STAKES WINNERS

- 04 One Tough Brookie, dk.b./br.f. by Two Punch. Unraced. (FTM Oct 05—\$35,000)
 06 **LOVE THAT DANCE**, ch.f. by Not For Love.
 07 Afternoon Treat, b.g. by Dance With Ravens. Raced 2 years, 9 starts, 2 wins at 2 and 3, \$130,028.
 08 Northwood Bully, b.c. by Dance With Ravens. Unraced.

Pennsylvania-bred

CROW'S NEST

Robellino Stakes

\$75,000-guaranteed, 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ mi., turf, registered Pennsylvania-breds, 3 & up. Penn National, Aug. 6.

					Caro (Ire)	Fortino II
					Ride the Trails	Chambord
					Graustark	Prince John
					Mrs. Peterkin	Wildwood
					Mr. Prospector	*Ribot
					Secrettame	Flower Bowl
					The Minstrel	Tom Fool
					Bantullah	Legendra
						Raise a Native
						Gold Digger
						Secretariat
						Tamerett
						Northern Dancer
						Fleur
						Fleet Nasrullah
						Bantu
	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings	
06	2	1	0	0	\$ 14,820	
07	5	1	1	0	38,939	
08	2	0	0	0	0	
09	8	2	0	1	41,558	
10 (sw)	7	3 (1)	0	0	83,630	
	24	7 (1)	1	1	\$178,947 (through Aug. 25)	

- 2010:** 1st \$75,000 **Robellino S**, 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ mi., turf, registered Pa.-breds, 3 & up, Penn National, Aug. 6. Bred and owned by Ivy Dell Stud (Pa.); trained by Patrick J. Graham.
 Sire: **MIZZEN MAST**, gr./ro., 98, stands at Juddmonte Farms, Lexington, Ky.
 Dam: **WESTERN MINT**, b., 95, bred by Mrs. Miles Valentine (Pa.). Raced 2 years, 11 starts, 1 win at 3, \$11,025.
 01 Deputy West, ch.f. by Deputy Commander. Unraced.
 02 Barren.
 03 **Western Pleaser**, dk.b./br.f. by Crowd Pleaser. Raced 4 years, 25 starts, 4 wins at 3 and 4, \$144,071, 3rd Betty's Hat S.
 04 **CROW'S NEST**, gr./ro.g. by Mizzen Mast.
 05 Slipped.

DIVINE FORTUNE

A.P. Smithwick Memorial Hurdle Stakes-NSA2

\$75,000-guaranteed, 2 $\frac{1}{8}$ mi. over National fences, 4 & up. Saratoga, Aug. 5.

					Nureyev	Northern Dancer
					Theatrical (Ire)	Special
					Tree of Knowledge (Ire)	Sassafras (Fr)
					Royal Anthem	Sensibility
					Ack Ack	Battle Joined
					In Neon	Fast Turn
					Shamara	Dewan
						Palsy Walsy
					Northern Dancer	Nearctic
					Northern Fling	Natalma
					Impetuous Lady	Hasty Road
					My Tombola	*Escocesa II
					Roberto	Hail to Reason
					Better to Be Lucky	Bramalea
					Jenny Dancer	Northern Dancer
						Helen Jennings
	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings	
05	unraced					
06	6	0	0	1 (1)	\$ 7,550	
07 (sw)	8	4 (1)	2	0	142,645	
08	unraced					
09	1	0	0	0	1,600	
10 (sw)	6	2 (1)	1 (1)	1 (1)	86,000	
	*21	6 (2)	3 (1)	2 (2)	\$237,795 (through Aug. 26)	

*Includes NSA sanctioned starts

2006: 3rd **Gladstone Hurdle S**. **2007:** 1st \$75,000 **Somerset Medical Center Novice Hurdle S-NSA2**, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ mi. over National fences, 4 & up who had not won over hurdles prior to June 1, 2006, Meadowlands, Sept. 21. **2010:** 1st \$75,000 **A.P. Smithwick Memorial Hurdle S-NSA2**, 2 $\frac{1}{8}$ mi. over National fences, 4 & up, Saratoga, Aug. 5; 2nd **Carolina Cup Hurdle S-NSA2**; 3rd **Marcellus Frost Hurdle S-NSA3**.

Bred by William L. Pape and Jonathan E. Sheppard (Pa.); owned by William L. Pape; trained by Jonathan E. Sheppard.

Sire: **ROYAL ANTHEM**, b., 95, stands at Tullogher House Stud, Kilkenny, Ireland.

Dam: **My Tombola**, b., 89, bred by Jonathan Sheppard (Pa.). Raced 4 years, 26 starts, 6 wins, 3 to 5, \$100,741, 2nd Rosenna S, 3rd Montclair State College S.

96 Be a Blast, gr./ro.f. by Two Punch. Raced 2 years, 4 starts at 3 and 5, 0 wins, \$2,820.

97 Polish Payola, dk.b./br.c. by Polish Numbers. Raced 2 years, 8 starts at 2 and 3, 0 wins, \$12,990. (FTM Oct 98—\$20,000; FTM May 99—\$41,000)

99 Free Admission, b.c. by Press Card. Raced 8 years, 25 starts, 3 wins, 4 to 6, \$92,256.

00 **Push My Luck**, dk.b./br.f. by Press Card. Raced 5 years, 29 starts, 2 wins at 4 and 6, \$56,480, 2nd Crown Royal Hurdle S-NSA3.

01 Lucky Memento, dk.b./br.g. by Souvenir Copy. Raced 7 years, 56 starts, 10 wins, 4 to 9, \$299,633.

03 **DIVINE FORTUNE**, ch.g. by Royal Anthem.

04 La Marsellaise, dk.b./br.c. by Royal Anthem. Unraced.

07 Beating the Odds, b.f. by Victory Gallop. Unraced.

FUGITIVE ANGEL

Russian Rhythm Stakes

\$75,000-guaranteed, 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ mi., turf, registered Pennsylvania-bred fillies and mares, 3 & up. Penn National, Aug. 6.

Malvern Rose Stakes

\$75,000-guaranteed, 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ mi., registered Pennsylvania-bred 3-year-old fillies. Presque Isle Downs, Aug. 19.

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STAKES WINNERS

Cozzene	Caro (Ire)	Fortino II
Alphabet Soup	Ride the Trails	Chambord
Illiterate	Arts and Letters	Prince John
Fugitive Angel , b.f., 2007	Laurel Mae	Wildwood
Unbridled	Fappiano	*Ribot
Screening	Gana Facil	All Beautiful
Recording	Danzig	Crafty Admiral
	Ratings	Magic Melody
		Mr. Prospector
		Killaloe
		*Le Fabuleux
		Charedi
		Northern Dancer
		Pas de Nom
		Caveat
		T. V. Ad
		earnings
09	starts 3	1st 0
10 (sw)	3	3 (2)
	6	3 (2)
		2nd 1
		3rd 0
		\$ 10,735
		102,412
		\$113,147 (through Aug. 19)

2010: 1st \$75,000 **Russian Rhythm S**, 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ mi., turf, registered Pa.-bred fillies and mares, 3 & up, Penn National, Aug. 6; \$75,000 **Malvern Rose S**, 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ mi., registered Pa.-bred 3-year-old fillies, Presque Isle, Aug. 19.

Bred by George Strawbridge Jr. (Pa.); owned by Augustin Stable; trained by Jonathan E. Sheppard.

Sire: **ALPHABET SOUP**, ro., 91, stands at Adena Springs/Gardiner Farms, Caledon, Ontario.

Dam: **SCREENING**, dk.b./br., 01, bred by George Strawbridge Jr. (Pa.). Unraced.

07 **FUGITIVE ANGEL**, b.f. by Alphabet Soup.

08 Anthony's Cross, b.c. by Indian Charlie. Raced 1 year, 1 start at 2, 0 wins, \$2,500. (FTS Aug 09—\$300,000)

09 b.f. by Harlan's Holiday.

10 f. by Posse.

RUSTLER HUSTLER

Continental Mile Stakes

\$100,000-guaranteed, 1 mi., turf, 2-year-olds. Monmouth Park, Aug. 14.

Forty Niner	Mr. Prospector	Raise a Native
Ecton Park	File	Gold Digger
Daring Danzig	Danzig	Tom Rolfe
Rustler Hustler , ch.c., 2008	Impetuous Gal	Continue
Cozzene	Caro (Ire)	Northern Dancer
Cozy Temper	Ride the Trails	Pas de Nom
J. E.'s Connection	Danzig Connection	Briartic
	Our Relation	Impetuous Lady
		Fortino II
		Chambord
		Prince John
		Wildwood
		Danzig
		Gdynia
		*Ribot
		*Aunt Edith II
		earnings
10 (sw)	starts 4	1st 2 (1)
		2nd 1
		3rd 1
		\$96,470 (through Aug. 14)

2010: 1st \$100,000 **Continental Mile S**, 1 mi., turf, 2-year-olds, Monmouth, Aug. 14.

Bred by Mark Stanley (Pa.); owned by Blazing Meadows Farm LLC and Mark Stanley; trained by Timothy Hamm.

Sire: **ECTON PARK**, ch., 96, stands at Isidore Farm, Jeju Island, Korea.

Dam: **COZZY TEMPER**, ch., 00, bred by Windways Farm Limited (Ontario). Raced 3 years, 8 starts, 2 wins at 3, \$42,555. (Kee Nov 00—\$90,000; Kee Sept 01—\$280,000; Kee Nov 08—\$15,000 in foal to Songandaprayer)

05 Glorious America, ch.f. by Ecton Park. Raced 4 years, 41 starts, 4 wins at 3 and 4, \$54,462. (FTN Aug 06—\$22,000)

06 Slipped.

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STAKES WINNERS

07 Lord Ecton, ch.c. by Ecton Park. Unraced. (Kee Sept 08—\$4,500)
 08 **RUSTLER HUSTLER**, ch.c. by Ecton Park.
 09 Bellamaya, ch.f. by Songandaprayer.

07 Slipped.
 08 Lebo Lady, ch.f. by Five Star Day. Unraced. (Kee Sept 09—\$27,000)
 09 Barren.
 10 c. by Lion Heart.

RYAN'S GIFT

Lil E. Tee Handicap

\$75,000-guaranteed, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi., registered Pennsylvania-bred 3-year-olds.
 Presque Isle Downs, Aug. 19.

	Storm Cat	Storm Bird	Northern Dancer	
	Bernstein	Terlingua	South Ocean	
	La Affirmed	Affirmed	Secretariat	
Ryan's Gift , dk.b./br.g., 2007	La Mesa	Exclusive Native	Crimson Saint	
	Lil's Lad	Round Table	Won't Tell You	
Annie's Tuff	Pine Bluff	Finance	Rowdy Angel	
	Totemic	Danzig	Vanlandingham	
Crafty Annie	Crafty Prospector	Strong Totem	Mr. Prospector	
	Anne's Money Honey	Real Crafty Lady	Great Above	
		Anne Dodd		
	starts	1st	2nd	3rd
09	1	0	0	0
10 (sw)	8	3 (1)	2	1
	9	3 (1)	2	1
				earnings
				\$ 200
				121,480
				\$121,680 (through Aug. 19)

2010: 1st \$75,000 **Lil E. Tee H.**, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi., registered Pa.-bred 3-year-olds, Presque Isle, Aug. 19.
 Bred by Betty Sue Walters (Pa.); owned by Rosemarie Kesselring; trained by Michael Ferraro.
 Sire: **BERNSTEIN**, b., 97, stands at Castleton Lyons, Lexington, Ky.
 Dam: ANNIE'S TUFF, b., 01, bred by Jim Hawkins and Lois Hawkins (Ky.). Raced 2 years, 3 starts, 1 win at 3, \$5,950. (Kee Sept 02—\$47,000)
RYAN'S GIFT, dk.b./br.g. by Bernstein. (FTM Oct 08—\$15,000)
 08 Tuff Wiseman, ch.c. by Wiseman's Ferry. Unraced.
 09 Czarina Irena, gr./ro.f. by Fastness (Ire).

SWEET AUGUST MOON

Rancho Bernardo Handicap-G3

\$150,000-guaranteed, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ fur., fillies and mares, 3 & up. Del Mar, Aug. 22.

	A.P. Indy	Seattle Slew	Bold Reasoning	
	Malibu Moon	Weekend Surprise	My Charmer	
	Macoumba	Mr. Prospector	Secretariat	
Sweet August Moon , dk.b./br.m., 2005	Maximova (Fr)	Raise a Native	Lassie Dear	
	Nijinsky II	Gold Digger	Green Dancer	
Royal Academy	Crimson Saint	Baracala	Northern Dancer	
Silent Academy	Silent Cal	Flaming Page	Crimson Satan	
Silent Turn	Irvina	Bolero Rose	Hold Your Peace	
		False Fashion	Turn to Reason	
		Chalvedele		
	starts	1st	2nd	3rd
07	4	1	1	0
08	3	1	0	1 (1)
09 (sw)	4	3 (2)	0	0
10 (sw)	6	2 (2)	0	1
	17	7 (4)	1	2 (1)
				earnings
				\$ 40,440
				44,802
				152,860
				188,294
				\$426,396 (through Aug. 22)

2008: 3rd **La Habra S-G3**. **2009:** 1st \$100,000 **Honest Lady S**, 6 fur., fillies and mares, 4 & up, Santa Anita, March 7; \$100,000 **Las Flores H-G3**, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ fur., fillies and mares, 4 & up, Santa Anita, April 5. **2010:** 1st \$150,000 **A Gleam H-G2**, 7 fur., fillies and mares, 3 & up, Hollywood, July 17; \$150,000 **Rancho Bernardo H-G3**, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ fur., fillies and mares, 3 & up, Del Mar, Aug. 22.
 Bred by Maple Leaf Farm (Pa.); owned by Legacy Ranch and Shirley MacPherson; trained by Brian Koriner.
 Sire: **MALIBU MOON**, b., 97, stands at Spendthrift Farm, Lexington, Ky.
 Dam: SILENT ACADEMY, dk.b./br., 99, bred by Maple Leaf Farm (Pa.). Raced 2 years, 10 starts, 2 wins at 3 and 4, \$41,414.
 05 **SWEET AUGUST MOON**, dk.b./br.f. by Malibu Moon. (Kee Sept 06—\$50,000; OBS March 07—\$400,000)
 06 Tabula Rasa, ch.g. by More Than Ready. Raced 2 years, 5 starts at 2 and 3, 0 wins, \$2,107. (Kee Sept 07—\$190,000)

TWELVE PACK SHELLY

Colleen Stakes

\$100,000-guaranteed, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ fur., 2-year-old fillies. Monmouth Park, Aug. 7.

				Storm Cat	Storm Bird
		Forestry			Terlingua
		Deputy Storm		Shared Interest	Pleasant Colony
				Silver Deputy	Surgery
		Deputy Jane West		Lady D' Arbanville	Deputy Minister
Twelve Pack Shelly , b.f., 2008					Silver Valley
					Cornish Prince
					Victory Rose
				Mr. Prospector	Raise a Native
					Gold Digger
		Two Punch		Heavenly Cause	*Grey Dawn II
		So Smashing			Lady Dulcinea
				Hero's Honor	Northern Dancer
		Hero's Hurrah			Glowing Tribute
				Bravest Miss	Bravest Roman
					Missile Belle
	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
10 (sw)	5	3 (1)	0	1 (1)	\$111,200 (through Aug. 7)

2010: 1st \$100,000 **Colleen S**, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ fur., 2-year-old fillies, Monmouth, Aug. 7; 3rd **Kentucky Juvenile S-G3**.

Bred by Sycamore Hall Farm LLC (Pa.); owned by John E. Salzman Jr., Danny Divver and George Greenwalt; trained by John E. Salzman Jr.
 Sire: **DEPUTY STORM**, b., 01, stands at Northview Stallion Station, Chesapeake City, Md.
 Dam: SO SMASHING, b., 99, bred by Richard L. Golden (Md.). Raced 3 years, 4 starts, 1 win at 3, \$10,200.
 04 The Kielbasa Queen, b.f. by Polish Miner. Raced 2 years, 8 starts, 1 win at 2, \$10,910. (FTM Oct 05—\$10,000)
 05 Red Puncher, ch.c. by Alphabet Soup. Unraced. (FTM Oct 06—\$5,000)
 07 Sir Dance a Lot, b.c. by Dance With Ravens. Raced 2 years, 9 starts, 3 wins at 3, \$61,620.
TWELVE PACK SHELLY, b.f. by Deputy Storm. (FTM Oct 09—\$5,000)
 09 b.c. by Dance With Ravens.
 10 f. by Fairbanks.

Virginia-bred

POSITION LIMIT

Adirondack Stakes-G2

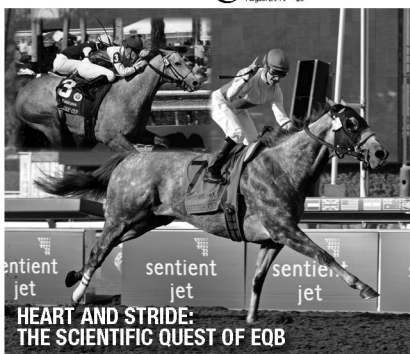
\$150,000-guaranteed, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ fur., 2-year-old fillies. Saratoga, Aug. 15.

					Chief's Crown	Danzig
		Concerto			Undeniably	Six Crowns
		Bellamy Road			Deputed Testamony	In Reality
		Hurry Home Hillary			Ten Cents a Turn	Past Forgetting
Position Limit, dk.b./br.f., 2008					Cox's Ridge	Traffic Cop
		Out of Place			Arabian Dancer	Proof Requested
		Payable On Demand			Procida	Cozzene
		Missuma			Sumatra	Rub al Khali
						Best Turn
						Our Martha
						Damascus
						Ten Cents a Dance
						Mr. Prospector
						With Distinction
					Groton	
					Sunda Strait	
	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings	
10 (sw)	2	2 (1)	0	0	\$120,000 (through Aug. 15)	

2010: 1st \$150,000 **Adirondack S-G2**, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ fur., 2-year-old fillies, Saratoga, Aug. 15.
 Bred by Lazy Lane Farms Inc. (Va.); owned by Starlight Partners; trained by Todd A. Pletcher.
 Sire: **BELLAMY ROAD**, dk.b./br., 02, stands at Pauls Mill, Versailles, Ky.
 Dam: PAYABLE ON DEMAND, ch., 01, bred by Duane Hopp, Denali Stud, S.D. Brille, Bill Heiligbrodt et al (Ky.). Raced 2 years, 11 starts, 1 win at 3, \$20,935. (Kee Sept 02—\$10,000; Kee Nov 06—\$50,000 in foal to Holy Bull; Kee Jan 09—\$18,000 in foal to Bernstein)
 06 Lardhy, ch.c. by Ecton Park. Unraced. (Kee Nov 06—\$20,000; Kee Sept 07—\$7,000)
 07 Mollie's Bull, gr./ro.f. by Holy Bull. Unraced. (FTM Oct 08—\$1,000)
 08 **POSITION LIMIT**, dk.b./br.f. by Bellamy Road. (FTK July 09—\$55,000)
 09 b.c. by Bernstein.
 10 f. by Put It Back.

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STAKES WINNERS

West Virginia-bred

AARON'S WAY

Henry Mercer Memorial Stakes

\$50,000-added, 4½ fur., registered accredited West Virginia-bred 2-year-old colts and geldings. Charles Town, Aug. 20.

		Raja Baba	Bold Ruler		
	Is It True	Missy Baba	Proudest Roman		
		Roman Rockette	Kitchen Window		
	Yes It's True	Clever Trick	Icecapade		
		Clever Monique	Kankakee Miss		
		Monique Rene	Prince of Ascot		
Aaron's Way, b.c., 2008			Party Date		
		A.P. Indy	Seattle Slew		
	Malibu Moon	Weekend Surprise	Mr. Prospector		
		Macoumba	Maximova (Fr)		
	Malibu Sue	Lord Parham	Lord Gaylord		
		Sue Chen	Raja's Venus		
		Music Czar	Dancing Czar		
			Sierra Music		
	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
10 (sw)	2	2 (1)	0	0	\$46,080 (through Aug. 20)

2010: 1st \$50,000 **Henry Mercer Memorial S**, 4½ fur., registered accredited W.Va.-bred 2-year-old colts and geldings, Charles Town, Aug. 20.

Bred and owned by Wade S. Sanderson (W.Va.); trained by Terry W. Socks.
Sire: **YES IT'S TRUE**, b., 96, stands at Three Chimneys Farm, Midway, Ky.
Dam: **MALIBU SUE**, b., 03, bred by Ralph S. Thomas (W.Va.). Raced 2 years, 11 starts, 5 wins at 2 and 3, \$149,355, W.Va. Division of Tourism Breeders Classic S, Eleanor M. Casey Memorial S; 2nd Sylvia Bishop Memorial S.
08 **AARON'S WAY**, b.c. by Yes It's True.
09 f. by Cherokee Run.

ANN'S MINK

Rachel's Turn Stakes

\$50,000-added, 4½ fur., registered accredited West Virginia-bred 2-year-old fillies. Charles Town, Aug. 27.

		Storm Bird	Northern Dancer		
	Storm Cat	South Ocean	Secretariat		
		Terlingua	Crimson Saint		
	Fantasticat	Alydar	Raise a Native		
		Lotta Dancing	Sweet Tooth		
		Lotka	Danzig		
Ann's Mink, dk.b./br.f., 2008			Kennelot		
		The Minstrel	Northern Dancer		
	Opening Verse	Fleur	*Grey Dawn II		
		Shy Dawn	*Herbager		
	Britt's Quest	*Grey Dawn II	Polamia		
		Danny's Quest	*Hawaii		
		Glorious Quest	Lady Dulcinea		
	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
10 (sw)	2	1 (1)	0	1	\$33,290 (through Aug. 27)

2010: 1st \$50,000 **Rachel's Turn S**, 4½ fur., registered accredited W.Va.-bred 2-year-old fillies, Charles Town, Aug. 27.

Bred and owned by Willowdale Farms Ltd. (W.Va.); trained by Clovis Crane.
Sire: **FANTASTICAT**, b., 01, stands at Maryland Stallion Station at Bonita Farm, Darlington, Md.
Dam: **BRITT'S QUEST**, ch., 96, bred by Dan Ryan (Md.). Raced 2 years, 17 starts, 2 wins at 3, \$13,629.
01 Some Request, dk.b./br.f. by Tagish. Unraced.
03 Court's Quest, b.g. by Eastover Court. Raced 4 years, 32 starts, 2 wins at 3 and 4, \$35,874.
04 **EAGLE SPEED**, ch.g. by Coastal Storm. Raced 4 years, 22 starts, 4 wins at 2 and 4, \$127,051, W.Va. Vincent Moscarelli Memorial Breeders Classic S, Tri-State Futurity, 3rd Robert G. Leavitt Memorial S.
06 Special Quest, b.c. by Special Times. Raced 1 year, 3 starts at 2, 0 wins, \$0.
07 Double Duty, ch.c. by Reparations. Raced 2 years, 6 starts at 2 and 3, 0 wins, \$2,770.
08 **ANN'S MINK**, dk.b./br.f. by Fantasticat.
09 Painter's Lady, ch.f. by Certain Storm.
10 f. by Prints of Peace.

BLACK BELT

Robert G. Leavitt Stakes

\$50,000-added, 7 fur., registered accredited West Virginia-bred 3-year-olds. Charles Town, Aug. 7.

Frank Gall Memorial Stakes

\$50,000-added, 7 fur., registered accredited West Virginia-breds, 3 & up. Charles Town, Aug. 21.

		Roberto	Hail to Reason		
	Kris S.	Bramalea	*Princequillo		
		Sharp Queen	Bridgework		
	Prized	My Dad George	Dark Star		
		My Turbulent Miss	Mabekky		
		Turbulent Miss	*Petare		
Black Belt, gr./ro.g., 2007			Behaving Deby		
		Seattle Slew	Bold Reasoning		
	Eastover Court	My Charming	*Grey Dawn II		
		Heavenly Cause	Lady Dulcinea		
	Karate Kat	Tagish	Mr. Prospector		
		Earth Song	Way (Fr)		
	Klondike Kat		The Minstrel		
			Mongo Queen		
	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
09	5	0	1	1	\$ 7,317
10 (sw)	11	4 (3)	2	2 (1)	122,238
	16	4 (3)	3	3 (1)	\$129,555 (through Aug. 21)

2010: 1st \$50,000 **Coin Collector S**, 4½ fur., registered accredited W.Va.-bred 3-year-olds, Charles Town, June 19; \$50,000 **Robert G. Leavitt S**, 7 fur., registered accredited W.Va.-bred 3-year-olds, Charles Town, Aug. 7; \$50,000 **Frank Gall Memorial S**, 7 fur., registered accredited W.Va.-breds, 3 & up, Charles Town, Aug. 21; 3rd **Tom Ridge S**.

Bred by O'Sullivan Farms LLC (W.Va.); owned by Fast Break Racing Stable; trained by Gerald S. Bennett.
Sire: **PRIZED**, dk.b./br., 86, stands at O'Sullivan Farms LLC, Charles Town, W.Va.
Dam: **Karate Kat**, gr./ro., 02, bred by O'Sullivan Farms (W.Va.). Raced 1 year, 8 starts, 2 wins at 3, \$51,805, 2nd Ruth C. Funkhouser S, Sylvia Bishop Memorial S.
07 **BLACK BELT**, gr./ro.g. by Prized. (OBS April 09—\$50,000)
09 Phun Kow Zah, b.c. by Prized.

DOWN TOWN ALLEN

West Virginia Secretary of State Stakes

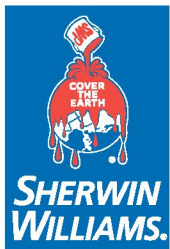
\$85,000-guaranteed, 6 fur., fillies and mares, 3 & up. Mountaineer Park, Aug. 7.

Sylvia Bishop Memorial Stakes

\$50,000-added, 7 fur., registered accredited West Virginia-bred 3-year-old fillies. Charles Town, Aug. 28.

		Carson City	Mr. Prospector		
	Lord Carson	Blushing Promise	Lord Gaylord		
		Bedgay's Lady	Lady Beddard		
	Windsor Castle	It's Freezing	T. V. Commercial		
		Princess Met	Articana		
	Frigidette	Mehmet	Cloud Ho		
Down Town Allen, b.f., 2007			Mr. Prospector		
		Fappiano	Killaloe		
	Roy	Never Bend	Ivy Hackett		
	Like Down Town	Alydar	Taba (Arg)		
		Turkoman	*Vaguely Noble		
	Turkamar	Lullaby Song			
		Camarina			
	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
09 (sw)	9	4 (3)	3 (2)	1 (1)	\$176,547
10 (sw)	5	5 (4)	0	0	186,220
	14	9 (7)	3 (2)	1 (1)	\$362,767 (through Aug. 28)

2009: 1st \$50,000 **Rachel's Turn S**, 4½ fur., 2-year-old fillies, Charles Town, Aug. 29; \$50,000 **Tri-State Futurity**, 1st div., 7 fur., 2-year-olds foaled in Md., Va. or W.Va., Charles Town, Nov. 7; \$50,000 **West Virginia Futurity**, 1st div., 7 fur., registered accredited W.Va.-bred or sired 2-year-olds, Charles Town, Nov. 28; 2nd **Golden Gull "Chris Brown" Memorial S**, **Miss Shenandoah S**; 3rd **Eleanor M. Casey Memorial S**. **2010:** 1st \$50,000 **Its Binn Too Long S**, 4½ fur., registered accredited W.Va.-bred 3-year-old fillies, Charles Town, May 29; \$100,000 **Lady Charles Town S**, 4½ fur., 3-year-old fillies, Charles Town, June 19; \$85,000 **West Virginia Secretary of State S**, 6 fur., fillies and mares, 3 & up, Mountaineer, Aug. 7; \$50,000 **Sylvia Bishop Memorial S**, 7 fur., registered accredited W.Va.-bred 3-year-old fillies, Charles Town, Aug. 28.
Bred, owned and trained by John A. Casey (W.Va.).



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Sire: **WINDSOR CASTLE**, b., 98, stands at Taylor Mountain Farm LLC, Charles Town, W.Va.
 Dam: **LIKE DOWN TOWN**, ch., 01, bred by Dennis Neclerio (Ky.). Raced 1 year, 1 start at 3, 0 wins, \$0. (FTK Oct 02—\$4,000)

06 Cricket, dk.b./br.f. by My Boy Adam. Raced 1 year, 4 starts, 1 win at 4, \$7,480.

07 **DOWN TOWN ALLEN**, b.f. by Windsor Castle.

08 I'm Hefe, dk.b./br.f. by My Boy Adam. Raced 1 year, 2 starts at 2, 0 wins, \$200.

09 c. by Windsor Castle. Died 2009.

10 c. by Luftikus.

S, Summer Distaff S, HBPA West Virginia S, 3rd Rhododendron S, Snow White S. (FTK Oct 01—\$8,500)

06 I Got the Point, b.c. by Point Given. Unraced.

07 **I Just Did It**, ch.f. by Luftikus. Raced 2 years, 7 starts, 2 wins at 2 and 3, \$52,960, 3rd Sylvia Bishop Memorial S.

08 **MR. PROUD ALLEN**, dk.b./br.c. by My Boy Adam.

09 Allen Did It, b.c. by Windsor Castle.

10 f. by Luftikus.

MR. PROUD ALLEN

Mountaineer Juvenile Stakes

\$85,000-guaranteed, 6 fur., 2-year-olds. Mountaineer Park, Aug. 7.

						Northern Dancer
		Encino		Nijinsky II		Flaming Page
				Crimson Saint		Crimson Satan
		My Boy Adam				Bolero Rose
				Pontoise		Cornish Prince
		My Girl Eve				Pontivy
				Cockateel		Assagai
						Crock
				Fappiano		Mr. Prospector
		Roy				Killaloe
				Adlibber		Never Bend
		Lets Just Do It				Ivy Hackett
				Full Partner		Never Bend
		Lutz				Running Juliet
				Mobility		First Landing
						Set the Style
	starts	1st	2nd	3rd		earnings
10 (sw)	2	2 (1)	0	0		\$64,900 (through Aug. 7)

2010: 1st \$85,000 **Mountaineer Juvenile S**, 6 fur., 2-year-olds, Mountaineer, Aug. 7.

Bred, owned and trained by John A. Casey (W.Va.).

Sire: **MY BOY ADAM**, dk.b./br., 87, stands at Taylor Mountain Farm, Charles Town, W.Va.

Dam: **LETS JUST DO IT**, b., 00, bred by Cecil O. Seaman (Ky.). Raced 3 years, 30 starts, 7 wins, 2 to 4, \$287,926, HBPA City of Ranson H, Irish Sonnet S, Autumn S, 2nd Blue Hen S, Selima

SHEAGRUMPTOO

Sadie Hawkins Stakes

\$50,000-added, 7 fur., registered accredited West Virginia-bred fillies and mares, 3 & up. Charles Town, Aug. 14.

	Meadowlake	Hold Your Peace	Speak John		
		Suspicious Native	Blue Moon		
Luftikus		Conquistador Cielo	Raise a Native		
	Andora	Sabin	Be Suspicious		
Shesagrumptoo, ch.m., 2003			Mr. Prospector		
			K D Princess		
			Lyphard		
			Beaonaire		
			*Vaguely Noble		
	Verification	Exceller	Too Bald		
		The Cuddler	Buckpasser		
Roberta Grump			Intriguing		
		Ambehaving	*Ambiorix		
	Blue Spring		Dentifrice		
		Blue Waters	Palestinian		
			Coastal Trade		
	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
05 (sw)	7	2 (1)	0	1 (1)	\$ 58,251
06	7	2	2 (2)	1 (1)	76,942
07	7	1	2 (1)	1 (1)	71,473
08	6	1	2 (1)	0	127,141
09	8	0	2 (1)	3 (3)	81,097
10 (sw)	3	1 (1)	0	0	33,750
	38	7 (2)	8 (5)	6 (6)	\$448,654 (thru

2005: 1st \$25,000 **West Virginia Futurity**, 1st div., 7 fur., registered accredited W.Va.-bred or sired 2-year-olds, Charles Town, Nov. 12; 3rd **Tri-State Futurity**. **2006:** 2nd **W.Va. Division of Tourism Breeders Classic S**, Ruth C. Funkhouser S; 3rd **Sylvia Bishop Memorial S**. **2007:** 2nd **Roger Van Hoozer Memorial S**; 3rd **W.Va. "Cavada" Breeders Classic S**. **2008:** 2nd **W.Va. "Cavada" Breeders Classic S**. **2009:** 2nd **Shy Native S**; 3rd **W.Va. "Cavada" Breeders Classic S**, Fancy Buckles S, **Roger Van Hoozer Memorial S**. **2010:** 1st \$50,000 **Sadie Hawkins S**, 7 fur., registered accredited W.Va.-bred fillies and mares, 3 & up, Charles Town, Aug. 14.

Bred by Robert H. Lloyd (W.Va.); owned by Jack Jordan Racing LLC; trained by John J. Robb.

Sire: **LUFTIKUS**, ch., 96, stands at Taylor Mountain Farm, Charles Town, W.Va.

Dam: **ROBERTA GRUMP**, b., 91, bred by Mary F. Kinder (W.Va.). Raced 1 year, 1 start at 2, 0 wins, \$0.

95 Grump's First, ch.f. by Jeloso. Raced 5 years, 48 starts, 8 wins, 3 to 6, \$62,598. Producer.

97 **SWEET ANNUITY**, b.f. by Oh Say. Raced 5 years, 37 starts, 9 wins, 3 to 6, \$260,052, BB&T "Cavada" W.Va. Breeders Classic S, Sadie Hawkins H, Roger Van Hoozer Memorial S twice, Ruth C. Funkhouser S, 2nd W.Va. Division of Tourism Breeders Classic S, Cacapon H, HBPA Lady Di S, Roger Van Hoozer Memorial S, 3rd Almost Heaven S, Cacapon H.

99 **SHEANOTHERGRUMP**, b.f. by Wesham. Raced 6 years, 49 starts, 7 wins at 3 and 4, \$231,629, W.Va. Division of Tourism Breeders Classic S, HBPA West Virginia Oaks, Roger Van Hoozer Memorial S, 2nd Rhododendron S, Wild and Wonderful S, Robert G. Leavitt Memorial H, Ruth C. Funkhouser S, 3rd BB&T "Cavada" W.Va. Breeders Classic S, Sadie Hawkins H, Autumn S.

00 Added Annuity, b.f. by Tom Cobbley. Raced 3 years, 31 starts, 1 win at 4, \$62,074.

01 Taxable Annuity, ch.g. by Ten Star Fleet. Raced 2 years, 10 starts, 1 win at 5, \$17,640.

03 **SHEAGRUMPTOO**, ch.f. by Luftikus.

04 **Natures Annuity**, b.f. by Valiant Nature. Raced 4 years, 22 starts, 6 wins, 3 to 6, \$324,728, 2nd W.Va. "Cavada" Breeders Classic S, Roger Van Hoozer Memorial S, Fancy Buckles S, 3rd W.Va. "Cavada" Breeders Classic S, My Sister Pearl S.

05 Barren.

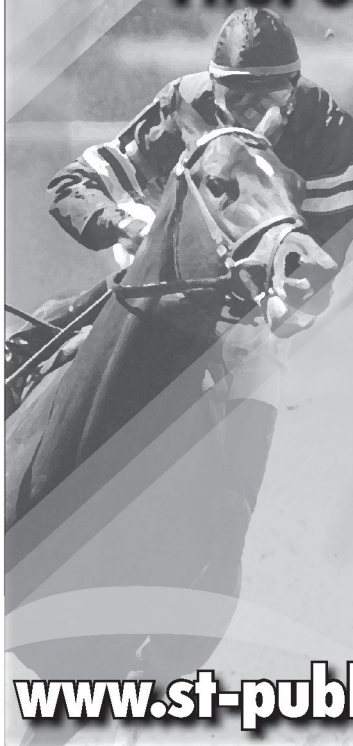
06 **RUSSELL ROAD**, ch.g. by Wheaton. Raced 3 years, 21 starts, 14 wins, 2 to 4, \$745,665, West Virginia Breeders' Classic S, Blue and Gold S, Tri-State Futurity, A Huevo S, Dancing Count S, Dr. Ernest Benner S, Frank Gall Memorial H, Millard Harrell Memorial S, Robert G. Leavitt Memorial S, Springtime H, West Virginia Futurity; 3rd Red Legend S, Wild and Wonderful S.

07 Early Annuity, ch.f. by Luftikus. Raced 1 year, 2 starts at 3, 0 wins, \$2,600.

08 Beanothergrump, b.f. by Windsor Castle. Unraced.

10 c. by Lion Hearted.

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Looking back

From *The Maryland Horse* (published 1936 to 1997) and *Mid-Atlantic Thoroughbred*

50 YEARS AGO

■ Five yearlings and nine race horses belonging to the late Margaret B. Edgar were catalogued to the Maryland Horse Breeders' Sale at Timonium and Belmont Park's horses in training sale in October. Mrs. Edgar, the "gentle, pleasant lady who was mistress of Woodlawn Farm," had died at the end of July.

All the horses offered were by Mrs. Edgar's *Princequillo stallion Prince Dare, the first stakes winner that she and her husband, Walter, had bred and raced. Prince Dare's dam, Penny Dare, was the first foal born at Woodlawn.

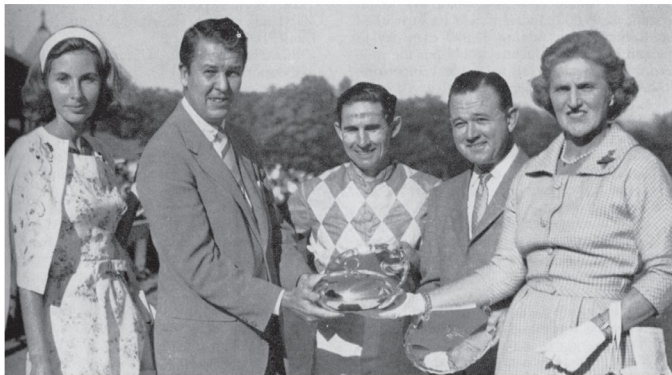
In Prince Dare's first two crops, which totaled six foals, he sired two stakes winners. Those two daughters—5-year-

old Milady Dares and 4-year-old Nora Dares—were to be sold at Belmont Park.

Mrs. Edgar's son-in-law, C. Oliver Goldsmith, was executor of the estate. He and his wife, Jean, would continue to operate Woodlawn Farm.

■ Alfred G. Vanderbilt's 2-year-old filly Good Move, out of the fourth-leading all-time money-winning mare, Next Move, improved her record to three wins from six starts with a head victory over C.V. Whitney's Honey Dear in Saratoga's Spinaway Stakes. She was the third stakes winner, all of whom were fillies, for her illustrious sire Native Dancer.

Vanderbilt's homebred Next Move produced a full brother to Good Move that spring, and although he never competed in stakes company, Restless Native made his reputation as one of the region's most important sires.



Presentation for Good Move's Spinaway Stakes, from left: Mr. and Mrs. Alfred G. Vanderbilt, Eric Guerin, George Poole (trainer), Mrs. Ogden Phipps.

10 YEARS AGO

■ Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association (TOBA) awards for the region were announced, and joining major breeders Robert Meyerhoff (Maryland) and Edward P. Evans (Virginia) were Denise Smylie (New Jersey), Dr. Clinton Lowry (North Carolina) and Dr. Richard and Gale Reveley (Pennsylvania). The Reveleys, who campaigned their homebred S W Clarence, a physically imposing (18-hand)

multiple stakes winner, were named TOBA's Mid-Atlantic breeders of the year.

■ Ben Perkins Jr. took his first training title when getting 29 wins at the Monmouth Park meet. Among his stable stars was 3-year-old sprinter Max's Pal, whose victories included the Rumson Stakes for major client Raymond Dweck.

■ The Irish-based colt Pine Dance shipped in for Philadelphia Park's Grade 3 Pennsylvania Derby and, making his first start on dirt, rolled home over a sloppy track to win by three lengths.

25 YEARS AGO

■ Jim McManus, known to the world as Jim McKay, announced details for the Maryland Million at a nationally attended press conference. The inaugural running of the day worth \$1 million for Maryland-sired runners was scheduled for the fall of 1986. The idea was conceived by the famed sportscaster after attending the first Breeders' Cup in 1984.

In his opening remarks, McKay noted that "except for the Preakness and some nostalgic memories remarked on by old-timers, Maryland racing is seldom discussed in New York."

But McKay pointed out that with \$1 million on the line, the program couldn't be ignored.

"I believe this is the right moment for a big program, and I hope our plans are workable. The way I see it, nobody loses on this thing."

Longtime breeder and racing stable owner James F. Lewis III was named the first president of Maryland Million Ltd. Other officers/committee members were Alan Hutchison, vice-president, Frank Favazza Jr., secretary/treasurer, and directors Robert Manfuso, McKay and Chick Lang.

■ Retired government worker Lester Mackebbee, who bred Thoroughbreds on a small scale at his 20-acre farm in Lisbon, Md., was the owner of "one of the few stakes-producing teasers in America."

Pilot Ship, by champion Hoist the Flag out of a half-sister to champion Riva Ridge, sired Bug Eyed Betty, winner of Pimlico's Toddler Stakes for 2-year-olds, in his second crop.

A son of Preakness winner Pine Bluff, Pine Dance was bred by Tennessee resident Kevin Pipes, who regularly foaled his mares in Maryland and campaigned numerous homebred runners in the region. But Kentucky-bred Pine Dance was

Pilot Ship had entered stud at Sunset Hill Farm in Maryland four years earlier, was moved to Kentucky, and eventually became a teaser before Mackebbee purchased him for \$1 from his friend Ralph Retler, who co-owned the stallion at the time.

Described as a remarkably placid stallion who had a habit of licking Mackebbee's hand after taking his favorite treat of buttermints, Pilot Ship—nicknamed "Studley"—would have his stud fee doubled for 1986, joked Mackebbee. "Let's see now, zero times two is what?"

Bug Eyed Betty was the best runner sired by Pilot Ship, retiring with \$355,207 after winning six stakes and placing in nine others, three graded, over three seasons. She is the dam of two-time Maryland Hunt Cup winner Bug River.

■ One of the top 2-year-olds in training was Bayard Sharp's homebred Papal Power, who drew off to win the Hopeful Stakes-G1 at Saratoga by five lengths over a sloppy track. The Maryland-bred colt trained by Charlie Peoples was from the first crop of Miswaki.

■ The Fasig-Tipton select yearling sale at Timonium was outstanding by all measures, as gross rose 137 percent over the previous year and average was up 36 percent.

Two yearlings brought final bids of \$50,000—a Smarten colt purchased by Harry Z. Isaacs of Brookfield Farm and a Rollicking filly bought by agent Joe Clancy.

Of the 21 yearlings sold for \$25,000 or higher, four were sired by Rollicking, who stood at Glade Valley Farms. The top-priced Smarten colt, out of Gala Ann, by *White Gloves II, had been consigned by Glade Valley as agent.

sold as a yearling on the advice of Pipes's accountant to satisfy IRS tax requirements.

■ Jockey Travis Dunkelberger won seven races on the 10-race card at Timonium on August 30, duplicating his feat at Charles Town in March.

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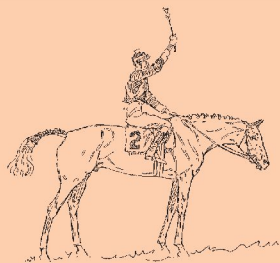
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Second careers come naturally to some

by Maggie Kimmitt

With Thoroughbred retirement currently in the forefront as one of racing's hot button issues, organizations dedicated to the placement of these athletes are being formed in significant—and encouraging—numbers. Yet, without hanging up a shingle or forming a non-profit agency, Maryland-based trainers Catherine H. (Holly) Robinson and Ann Merryman have quietly gone about the business of re-training race horses for several years.

Merryman and Robinson have, by the very nature of their methods, prepared young horses for second careers from the onset of their educations. Merryman is based at The Orebanks, her family's farm in Sparks, while Robinson operates from her Laurel Park barn.

"We like our horses, and to see them go on and do something else is great," Robinson said. "I mean, it's a little bit of our way of training. We take the young horse out, and whether he continues on in his racing career or not, he's seeing things and doing things, so he's been predisposed to all of it when he gets done. There's a Thoroughbred for everybody. They're very

smart, and there's a place for all of them. Ann got us started in this. Sometimes we have people coming to us and asking what we've got. We're just horse lovers. And one horse lover to another, the word spreads out."

The word began spreading innocently enough when Merryman suggested to her dear friend Stacie Eggleton, a former exercise rider, that she purchase the Norquestor gelding Magic Roland.

"Ann said he was, to put it bluntly, 'too slow' as a race horse. He never beat a horse. But it did not take Magic Roland very long to transition from the race track to the hunt field and hunter classes," said Eggleton.

Robinson's long-standing association with noted Canadian breeder/owner Gustav Schickedanz has provided a direct pipeline of talented prospects.

"I got to know Gustav," she began. "He loves his horses. He goes hunting in Middleburg; has a farm, an old plantation, in South Carolina. He ships all his horses down there—all of them, mares, foals, weanlings, everything—so he can watch them grow up. He campaigned Langfuhr (by

Danzig), a stallion that we get a lot of these horses from; we love Langfuhr. Not only do they make good race horses, but they can jump. One horse that Ann and I had together was Spilled Honey (Langfuhr—Honey Sipper by Drone). He won a lot of races on the grass for us and then we sold him as a steeplechase horse. He's a hunter now."

It is in the hunt field where the Merryman/Robinson charges have excelled. At the season's opening hunt of the Elkridge-Harford Hounds in 2009, there were reportedly nine horses in the field who had been placed by the pair.

One was Big Mike (Citidancer—Cielo Vuh, by Conquistador Cielo). Originally owned by Merryman and Mike Cataneo, the gelding was a special favorite of Merryman's.

"Ann put her heart and soul into that horse," Robinson said. Big Mike showed promise on the turf before chipping a knee. After recovery he did return and win a few races, but during a winter layup he was hunted with Elkridge-Harford and seemed to find his niche. Former jockey Andrea Seefeldt Knight rode him, fell in love with him,



Big Mike, a winning son of Citidancer, found his niche with the Elkridge-Harford Hunt and owner/rider Andrea Seefeldt Knight.

and subsequently purchased the handsome chestnut.

But perhaps one of the most heartwarming success stories is that of a former Nick Zito trainee named Fey Tru, owned by William J. Condren of Go for Gin fame. The son of Capote and the "Grey Dawn II mare Starclock broke down in his final start at Belmont Park in 1995 and arrived in Maryland still wearing a cast.

"We had never really had any experience with a cast," Merryman explained. "We had picked him up from the vet. I noticed there were pressure points on either end of the cast, so he took the horse back and took the cast off for us. When he did, I'd never seen anything like it. The ankle was lopsided; it was almost like there was another joint. It was just unbelievable. So we tried to tell Mr. Condren that we thought it might be best to put him down, but he didn't want to do that."

Kawana Swank was working for Merryman at the time. Her father, Marvin D. Swank, had horses with Robinson and owns a farm in Ohio.

"Fey Tru was a colt but he was so sweet and kind," Swank said. "I said I don't think my dad really wants a colt at the farm, but let me call him and talk to him. He took him and bred his mare to him each year."

One of the resulting foals, Tru Slew, was trained by Rob-

inson. When Tru Slew was injured, Robinson contacted Liz McKnight, Master of Elkridge-Harford. McKnight reschooled Tru Slew as a foxhunter and eventually sold him as a timber prospect to Ed McLaughlin, who won the Foxhall Trophy with him. So impressive was Tru Slew that Mark "Stix" Griffiths contacted Robinson to inquire if she had any more horses like him in her barn. She put Griffiths in touch with Marvin Swank, and Griffiths purchased Tru Slew's brother for Marshall Elkins.

Another Elkins purchase was Stealth Fighter. By Deputy Minister out of Lady Lochinvar (by Lord At War-Arg), Stealth Fighter was sold for \$450,000 as a yearling. Merryman's client David Ross claimed him at Churchill Downs in 2004. "He hunts with Greenspring Hounds—he is the biggest, classiest horse; so beautiful," said Merryman.

But for Merryman, by far the most personally rewarding account is that of My Lord. Another claim for David Ross, the chestnut gelding is a son of Lord Carson from the Vice Regent mare Love of Our Life.

"He was so lame when we claimed him, but I looked him up and saw that he held the five-eighths track record at Monmouth and at Fair Grounds. I said to David,

'He's always been trained like he comes late; suppose we just let him get sound?'"

My Lord was given 11 months off before resuming training in May 2005. He rewarded Ross and Merryman's patience on Preakness Day 2006 when he won the \$100,000 Baltimore Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint Stakes under Rosie Napravnik.

Merryman filled in some blanks: "Not only does Holly give horses good homes, she gives children good homes. Rosie had lived with Holly since she was 15; she went to Hereford High School. Here was Rosie, our resurrected little child, winning on our

resurrected little horse. He was 7 and that was his first stakes win. My head was like a bobble-head; I'll never forget it until the day I die. I was out there like 'I think he can . . . I think he can. . . I think he can!' He was so far back. It was such a cool race."

My Lord raced two more times. Upon his retirement he went on to a new career with Amy and Peter Fenwick.

"You know," Robinson concluded, "the important thing with all of these horses is that they are now doing what they should be doing. . . and that they have found the right homes."



CAROL FENWICK



BARBIE REICHTLER

Peter Fenwick is aboard My Lord, while his wife, Amy, rides another race retiree they got from Merryman and Robinson, Bware of the Dark. They are true family mounts—shown left with the kids, Daisy and Tommy, at opening cubbing with the Mount Carmel Hounds.

Richard's Kid vaults to millionaire status with second consecutive victory in Grade 1 Pacific Classic

Richard's Kid did it again. Last year the Maryland-bred delivered a breakout performance in California's richest race, the \$1 million Pacific Classic-G1 at Del Mar, winning at odds of 24-1.

On August 28, bet down to a far less generous 9-2, he staged a virtual replay, coming from off the pace to score by three-quarters of a length in the 2010 edition of the Pacific Classic.

The \$600,000 winner's share of the purse boosted the 5-year-old's lifetime earnings to \$1,566,370, making him the 20th Maryland-bred millionaire and ninth-richest Maryland-bred runner of all time.

Carrying the colors of Sheikh Rashid bin Mohammed al Maktoum's Zabeel Racing International, which purchased him early this year, and ridden by Mike Smith, who had not piloted him since last year's Pacific Classic, the Bob Baffert-trained Richard's Kid faced nine rivals. He left only one horse behind him for first six furlongs of the mile and a quarter event. Isle of Giant's led the way, closely pursued by Temple City and Hold Me Back through slow splits of :24.82, :49.25 and 1:13.78.

Isle of Giant's was overtaken by Temple City on the final turn, then Crowded House (GB) took the lead in mid-stretch while Temple City and favorite The Usual Q. T. gave way.

Richard's Kid picked up speed at the quarter pole, and Smith angled him five-wide for a clear run through the stretch. After getting the lead, Crowded House finished gamely in the final furlong but



could not withstand the challenge from Richard's Kid, who prevailed in the final strides, stopping the clock in 2:03.27 over Polytrack.

"The first three jumps out of the gate I said, 'Oh, ho, here we go. Just like last year.' He gathered himself and he was just going so easy," Smith said. "He was moving just like you'd want. I could tell they were going a little too slow, so I had him up there a little closer than I normally would. But it was easily done. Then it was just like *deja vu* all over again."

With the win, Richard's Kid earned a berth in the \$5 million Breeders' Cup Classic-G1 at Churchill Downs on November 6. Richard's Kid ran sixth in last year's Breeders' Cup Classic at Santa Anita.

Richard's Kid is the third horse to win back-to-back renewals of the Pacific Classic, which is the only \$1 million race in California. The others were Tinnars Way (1994 and '95) and Skimming (2000 and '01), both trained by Bobby Frankel for Juddmonte Farms. This was the 20th renewal of the race.

Richard's Kid was bred by Robert E. Meyerhoff's Fitzhugh LLC, which campaigned him in Maryland with trainer Richard Small until May 2009, when an agent for prominent West Coast-based owner Arnold Zetcher approached Meyerhoff with an offer that couldn't be refused. Richard's Kid joined Baffert's stable, where he has remained despite Zetcher's subsequent sale to Zabeel Racing.

Richard's Kid, a son of Lemon Drop Kid and the Broad Brush mare Tough Broad, was named Maryland-bred Horse of the Year in 2009, having also won the John B. Campbell Handicap and placed in two additional California stakes, including the Grade 1 Goodwood Breeders' Cup.

After a seventh-place finish, beaten two and a half lengths, in the 2010 Dubai World Cup-G1 in March, Richard's Kid started twice this summer, finishing third behind Awesome Gem and Rail Trip in the Grade 1 Hollywood Gold Cup on July 10 and third to Temple City and Unusual Suspect in the Grade 3 Cougar II Handicap at one and a half miles on July 30 at Del Mar. 🐾



MARYLAND FUND STAKES RECAPS



JIM MCCUE

Ben's Cat

Mister Diz Stakes

\$50,000-guaranteed, 6 furlongs, turf, registered Maryland-breds, 3 & up. Laurel Park, Aug. 21.

Dk.b./br.g., 2006, by Parker's Storm Cat—Twofox, by Thirty Eight Paces. Bred by K.T. Leatherbury Assoc. Inc.; owned by The Jim Stable; trained by King T. Leatherbury. Foaled at Northview Stallion Station, Chesapeake City, Md.

Lifetime				
starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
5	5 (1)	0	0	\$92,460
(through Aug. 21)				

2010: 1st \$50,000 **Mister Diz S**, 6 furlongs, turf, registered Md.-breds, 3 & up, Laurel, Aug. 21.

The Jim Stable's Ben's Cat upped his lifetime record to five wins without a loss when he won the \$50,000 Mister Diz Stakes for Maryland-breds at Laurel Park on August 21.

The 4-year-old son of former Maryland sire Parker's Storm Cat, bred by owner/trainer King T. Leatherbury, covered the six furlongs in 1:09.08. Breaking from post 10 in the field of 11, Rosemary Homeister Jr. steered Ben's Cat wide from the start and kept after him in the lane to win his stakes debut and his first try

on the turf. Ben's Cat finished one and a half lengths ahead of longshot Sandbagin' Lover. Veteran 8-year-old sprinter Celtic Innis, a five-time stakes winner of \$627,638 making his first start on the turf, finished third.

The large field, which included a number of accomplished stakes horses, was rounded out by Not for Silver, Map of the World, Cotton Brook Road, Ah Day, Heros Reward, Natural Seven, Poppy's Punkin and Baltimore Raven.

"He's an amazing horse," said Homeister. "He was 4-for-4 going into this race so the pressure was on, especially first time running on the turf course because it was a little soft. He actually handled it very well. Usually he's in front so he showed a little different running style, so hopefully that will help him down the road. I was concerned a little when he didn't break as sharp as his dirt form but I think that it worked to his benefit that he didn't get stuck

behind a bunch of horses. He had a clear trip all the way and in the lane he actually did a little swerve the last eighth of a mile. I think he was looking at the grandstand. Once I got back into him he kicked on again."

Recovered from a broken pelvis that prevented him from starting until this year, Ben's Cat made his debut on May 8 at Pimlico, winning by one and three-quarters lengths while in for a \$20,000 tag. Risked for \$25,000 next out at Delaware Park on June 14, he won by a length. Moved up to allowance company at Delaware Park on July 3, he cruised home by four and a quarter lengths.

In his first start beyond six furlongs, Ben's Cat recorded Leatherbury's career victory number 6,300 on August 7 at Laurel Park. He completed the seven furlongs in 1:22.48 while leading the allowance test at nearly every call. He now has earnings of \$92,460.

"He had to stay in the stall for six months and finally it healed properly so obviously it's not bothering him now," said Leatherbury. "I have a Maryland Million horse this year."

Ben's Cat, out of Leatherbury's homebred mare Twofox, a stakes-placed daughter of Thirty Eight Paces and full sister to graded stakes winner Thirty Eight Go Go, ran as part of an entry with his relative, graded stakes winner and \$899,324-earner Ah Day (who is out of Endette, another a full sister to Twofox). "Ah Day didn't run his race but he's never been a turf horse," Leatherbury added. "He'll come around next time."

Ah Day finished seventh, a head in front of the post time favorite, millionaire Heros Reward, the Maryland-bred champion turf runner the past three years.

Fascinatin' Rhythm



Jameela Stakes

\$50,000-guaranteed, 6 furlongs, turf, registered Maryland-bred fillies and mares, 3 & up. Laurel Park, Aug. 14.

Dk.b./br.m., 2005, by More Than Ready—April Gator, by Green Alligator. Bred and owned by Buckingham Farm; trained by Richard W. Small. Foaled at Northview Stallion Station, Chesapeake City, Md.

Lifetime				
starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
22	5 (1)	4 (4)	5 (2)	\$193,863
(through Aug. 14)				

2008: 2nd **Northern Dancer S**, **Squan Song S**. **2009:** 2nd **Squan Song S**, **Nellie Morse S**; 3rd **Barbara Fritchie H-G2**. **2010:** 1st \$50,000 **Jameela S**, 6 furlongs, turf, registered Md.-bred fillies and mares, 3 & up, Laurel, Aug. 14; 3rd **Correction H**.

William M. Backer's stakes-winning half-sisters Sales Tax and Blind Date appeared poised to dominate the \$50,000 Jameela Stakes on August 14, after trainer Hamilton Smith unleashed the homebreds as an entry that was bet down to 1.7-1 favoritism.

But Fascinatin' Rhythm, a 5-year-old mare campaigning for her breeder, Binnie Houghton's Buckingham Farm, didn't get the message, rallying on the outside in upper stretch and closing for a two-length victory under Rosemary Homeister Jr. Kosmo's Buddy held on for second, a length and a quarter to the good of Onearmedbandit. Each of the top three finishers started at double-digit odds, with Fascinatin' Rhythm, the longest-priced of the three, paying \$36 to win.

Completing the order of finish were Colony Club, Heaven's Voice, Sales Tax, Blind Date, Yankee Sweetheart, What Time It Is, All Giving and If Not for Lust.

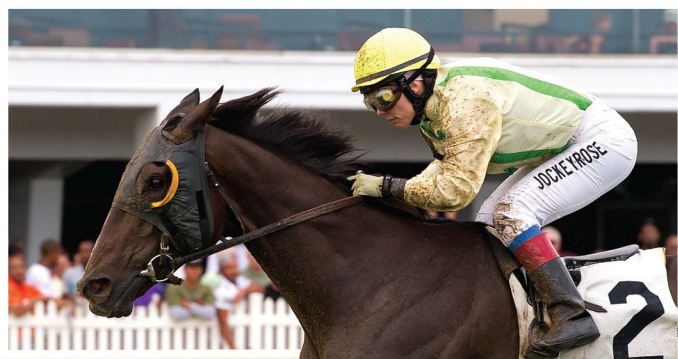
Final time for the six furlongs over yielding turf was 1:11.01.

The Jameela was the first stakes win for Richard Small-trained Fascinatin' Rhythm, who placed in a total of six stakes over the last three years, and was third in the 2009 Barbara Fritchie Handicap-G2. In 22 starts, including five wins, Fascinatin' Rhythm has earnings of \$193,863.

Fascinatin' Rhythm (by More Than Ready) comes from an illustrious family going back several generations at Buckingham Farm in Chestertown, Md. Her stakes-winning dam, April Gator (\$101,034, Cincinnati Trophy S, etc.), bred

by Houghton's late father, Anderson Fowler, is a daughter of Fowler's homebred Green Alligator, the Gate Dancer colt who carried Fowler's colors to a fourth-place finish in the 1991 Kentucky Derby-G1. Green Alligator's dam, La Reine Rouge (by King's Bishop), is the granddam of 2006 Kentucky Derby winner Barbaro.

April Gator's dam, Don't Be Foolish (by Caveat), was a stakes-placed earner of \$79,710 as well as the dam of multiple stakes winner and multiple graded-placed Foolish Pole (\$445,849).



JIM MCCUE



MARYLAND FUND REPORT

Bonuses paid for races at Maryland tracks from July 31 to August 22, 2010.

Jameela Stakes

August 14. Purse \$50,000-guaranteed. For 3-year-olds and up, fillies and mares, registered Maryland-breds. 6 fur., turf. 11 competed. (Closed with 19 nominations.) Winner: FASCINATIN' RHYTHM, by More Than Ready. Breeder bonus: Buckingham Farm (\$4,650). Stallion bonus: None. Second: KOSMO'S BUDDY, by Outflanker. Breeder bonus: Arnold Smolen (\$1,550). Stallion bonus: Outflanker Syndicate (\$775). Third: ONEARMEDBANDIT, by No Armistice. Breeder bonus: David Daniel (\$852.50). Stallion bonus: Country Life Farm and B. Wayne Hughes (\$426.25). Fourth: COLONY CLUB, by Lion Hearted. Breeder bonus: Bohemia Stable (\$465). Stallion bonus: Lion Hearted Syndicate (\$232.50).

Mister Diz Stakes

August 21. Purse \$50,000-guaranteed. For 3-year-olds and up, registered Maryland-breds. 6 fur., turf. 11 competed. (Closed with 22 nominations.) Winner: BEN'S CAT, by Parker's Storm Cat. Breeder bonus: K.T. Leatherbury Assoc. Inc. (\$4,650). Stallion bonus: Country Life Farm and B. Wayne Hughes (\$2,325). Second: SANDBAGIN' LOVER, by Outflanker. Breeder bonus: Frances Moser (\$1,550). Stallion bonus: Outflanker Syndicate (\$775). Third: CELTIC INNIS, by Yarrow Brae. Breeder bonus: Mr. and Mrs. E. Allen Murray Jr. (\$852.50). Stallion bonus: Yarrow Brae Syndicate (\$426.25). Fourth: NOT FOR SILVER, by Not For Love. Breeder bonus: Dark Hollow Farm, George Harris and William deBurgh (\$465). Stallion

bonus: Not For Love Syndicate (\$232.50).

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Susan L. Christiansen—OUT FOR A STROLL: Aug. 7, 3rd race, \$706.80. VICE OR VIRTUE: Aug. 7, 1st race, \$706.80. (\$1,413.60)
CKNPS Breeding—DEVILISH GAIT: Aug. 8, 8th race, \$2,473.80.
John T. Crane Jr. and Margaret M. Crane—LOVE'S REASON: Aug. 1, 1st race, \$2,473.80.
Crystal Park Stables Inc.—LITTLE ICE PATCH: Aug. 6, 5th race, \$1,413.60.
David Daniel—ONEARMEDBANDIT: Aug. 14, 9th race, \$852.50.
Dark Hollow Farm, George Harris and William deBurgh—NOT FOR SILVER: Aug. 21, 9th race, \$465.
Mary Eppler Racing Stable and A. Leonard Pineau—KATRINARITA: Aug. 6, 1st race, \$883.50.
Fitzhugh LLC—BROAD RULE: Aug. 20, 4th race, \$2,473.80.
Fred A. Greene Jr. Rev Trust—BETTY'S JOHN DE: Aug. 1, 5th race, \$706.80.
William R. Harris—BREEZY BOY: Aug. 1, 6th race, \$3,092.25. NIGHT Q: July 31, 6th race, \$1,236.90; Aug. 22, 4th race, \$1,060.20. RUSH W: Aug. 20, 6th race, \$706.80. (\$6,096.15)
Hartner Family Trust—MY MISTY'S ECHO: Aug. 13, 3rd race, \$1,413.60.
Carol Kaye-Garcia and Barbara Smith—BALTIMORE BELLE: Aug. 20, 9th race, \$2,473.80.
Kaygar Stable—LUCKY WILL: July 31, 8th race, \$2,738.85.
Kaygar Stables and Boyce Stable—LADY IN ERMAINE: Aug. 21, 5th race, \$1,148.55.
K.T. Leatherbury Assoc. Inc.—BEN'S CAT: Aug. 7, 6th race, \$2,827.20; Aug. 21, 9th race, \$4,650. (\$7,477.20)
Robert T. Manfuso and Katharine M. Voss—FOOLS IN LOVE: Aug. 15, 8th race, \$3,180.60.

Marjim Farms LLC—HURRICANE CAROUSEL: Aug. 21, 1st race, \$1,060.20.
Mrs. J.W.Y. Martin Jr.—FLYING PUNCH: Aug. 15, 2nd race, \$883.50.
Mr. and Mrs. Edwin W. Merryman—DREAM LOUISE: Aug. 1, 3rd race, \$1,413.60.
Gretchen B. Mobberley—IN THE CLOVER: Aug. 13, 6th race, \$706.80.
Wayne and Juanita Morris—PETER'S CREEK: Aug. 6, 8th race, \$3,003.90.
Frances Moser—SANDBAGIN' LOVER: Aug. 21, 9th race, \$1,550.
Mr. and Mrs. E. Allen Murray Jr.—CELTIC INNIS: Aug. 21, 9th race, \$852.50. DISCO HAZE: Aug. 7, 4th race, \$883.50. (\$1,736)
Non Stop Stable—SMART TORI: Aug. 15, 1st race, \$1,590.30.
Jim and Gail Poules—TOUSSAUD'S SPIRIT: Aug. 8, 5th race, \$1,236.90.
Sagamore Farm LLC—GO MAIRE TU: July 31, 1st race, \$1,060.20. MONZON: Aug. 13, 1st race, \$2,473.80. (\$3,534)
See You Stable—SEEYOUINTECHITY: Aug. 6, 7th race, \$2,473.80.
Arnold Smolen—KOSMO'S BUDDY: Aug. 14, 9th race, \$1,550.
Tanterra Stables—OUTQUEST: Aug. 15, 4th race, \$883.50.
Thornmar Farm LLC—LOVE ME LATER: Aug. 22, 1st race, \$883.50.
James Wood and Lillian H. Horner—LEGAL CODE: Aug. 8, 1st race, \$883.50.
Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Wright—PLEASANT BEAU: July 31, 5th race, \$1,148.55.

Owner bonuses

Patricia V. Haun Beck—ANZIO ADAM: Aug. 20, 1st race, \$883.50.
Charles F. Burnside—ACCESS LOVE: Aug. 7, 8th race, \$2,738.85.
Susan L. Christiansen—OUT FOR A STROLL: Aug. 7, 3rd race, \$706.80. VICE OR VIRTUE: Aug. 7, 1st race, \$706.80. (\$1,413.60)
Crystal Park Stables Inc.—LITTLE ICE PATCH: Aug. 6, 5th race, \$1,413.60.
Fitzhugh LLC—BROAD RULE: Aug. 20, 4th race, \$2,473.80.
Robert Gerczak and Kaygar Stable—BALTIMORE BELLE: Aug. 20, 9th race, \$2,473.80.
Fred A. Greene Jr. and Joann Smith—BETTY'S JOHN DE: Aug. 1, 5th race, \$706.80.
George and Lori Hall—FOOLS IN LOVE: Aug. 15, 8th race, \$3,180.60.
William R. Harris—BREEZY BOY: Aug. 1, 6th race, \$3,092.25.
Hillwood Stable LLC—LOVE'S REASON: Aug. 1, 1st race, \$2,473.80.
Dennis Jankiewicz—DEVILISH GAIT: Aug. 8, 8th race, \$2,473.80.
The Jim Stable—BEN'S CAT: Aug. 7, 6th race, \$2,827.20.
Larry Knight Jr.—LITCHRALLY: Aug. 13, 2nd race, \$1,060.20.
Emanuel McNeil—ALTERNATING BASS: Aug. 1, 9th race, \$1,236.90.
Edwin W. Merryman—DREAM LOUISE: Aug. 1, 3rd race, \$1,413.60.
Gretchen B. Mobberley—IN THE CLOVER: Aug. 13, 6th race, \$706.80.

Morris Stable LLC—PETER'S CREEK: Aug. 6, 8th race, \$3,003.90.
Sagamore Farm LLC—GO MAIRE TU: July 31, 1st race, \$1,060.20. MONZON: Aug. 13, 1st race, \$2,473.80. (\$3,534)
See You Stable—SEEYOUINTECHITY: Aug. 6, 7th race, \$2,473.80.
Sweet Spirits Stables LLC—TOUSSAUD'S SPIRIT: Aug. 8, 5th race, \$1,236.90.
T.M. Racing Stables LLC—LUCKY WILL: July 31, 8th race, \$2,738.85.
Billy Ray White Jr.—SMART TORI: Aug. 15, 1st race, \$1,590.30.

Stallion bonuses

BOWMAN'S BAND (Baltimore Belle: Aug. 20, 9th race, \$1,236.90): Maryland Stallion Station and Martin Schwartz.
DISCO RICO (Disco Haze: Aug. 7, 4th race, \$441.75): Alfred and Joseph DiRico.
DOMESTIC DISPUTE (Legal Code: Aug. 8, 1st race, \$441.75. Litchrally: Aug. 13, 2nd race, \$530.10. Misty's Dispute: Aug. 15, 6th race, \$353.40): Domestic Dispute Syndicate—\$1,325.25.
EASTERN ECHO (My Misty's Echo: Aug. 13, 3rd race, \$706.80): Eastern Echo Syndicate.
GATORS N BEARS (Devilish Gait: Aug. 8, 8th race, \$1,236.90): Gators N Bears Syndicate.
GREAT NOTION (Betty's John De: Aug. 1, 5th race, \$353.40): Great Notion Syndicate.
LION HEARTED (Anzio Adam: Aug. 20, 1st race, \$441.75. Colony Club: Aug. 14, 9th race, \$232.50. Two of Hearts: July 31, 2nd race, \$441.75): Lion Hearted Syndicate—\$1,116.
LOUIS QUATORZE (Breezy Boy: Aug. 1, 6th race, \$1,546.13. Dream Louise: Aug. 1, 3rd race, \$706.80. Night Q: July 31, 6th race, \$618.45; Aug. 22, 4th race, \$530.10. Peter's Creek: Aug. 6, 8th race, \$1,501.95): Louis Quatorze Syndicate—\$4,903.43.
NO ARMISTICE (Onearmedbandit: Aug. 14, 9th race, \$426.25): Country Life Farm and B. Wayne Hughes.
NOT FOR LOVE (Access Love: Aug. 7, 8th race, \$1,369.43. Fools in Love: Aug. 15, 8th race, \$1,590.30. Love Me Later: Aug. 22, 1st race, \$441.75. Love's Reason: Aug. 1, 1st race, \$1,236.90. Not for Silver: Aug. 21, 9th race, \$232.50): Not For Love Syndicate—\$4,870.88.
OUTFLANKER (Kosmo's Buddy: Aug. 14, 9th race, \$775. Out for a Stroll: Aug. 7, 3rd race, \$353.40. Outquest: Aug. 15, 4th race, \$441.75. Sandbagin' Lover: Aug. 21, 9th race, \$775): Outflanker Syndicate—\$2,345.15.
PARKER'S STORM CAT (Ben's Cat: Aug. 7, 6th race, \$1,413.60; Aug. 21, 9th race, \$2,325): Country Life Farm and B. Wayne Hughes—\$3,738.60.
PURPLE PASSION (Alternating Bass: Aug. 1, 9th race, \$618.45): Stella Kavazis.
ROCK SLIDE (Vice or Virtue: Aug. 7, 1st race, \$353.40): Shamrock Farms.
TWO PUNCH (Flying Punch: Aug. 15, 2nd race, \$441.75. Katrinaia: Aug. 6, 1st race, \$441.75): Two Punch Syndicate—\$883.50.
YARROW BRAE (Celtic Innis: Aug. 21, 9th race, \$426.25. Rush W: Aug. 20, 6th race, \$353.40): Yarrow Brae Syndicate—\$779.65.

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Maryland's leading sires

Supplied by Bloodstock Research Information Services (BRIS), these statistics were compiled on September 8. Lifetime earnings for stallions with at least one starter in 2010. † denotes freshman sire.

Earnings in 2010

	Strs	Starts	Wnrs	Wins	Earnings
Not For Love.....	177	935	91	134	\$3,223,290
Lion Hearted.....	149	840	72	111	2,290,380
Louis Quatorze.....	144	746	56	86	1,895,260
Outflanker.....	90	612	53	93	1,528,960
Domestic Dispute....	98	508	40	54	1,158,020
Dance With Ravens..	72	372	29	44	1,025,760
Rock Slide.....	61	316	27	34	901,667
Two Punch.....	69	337	34	56	874,982
Great Notion.....	40	196	23	36	779,790
Oratory.....	47	231	20	26	627,048
Mojave Moon.....	46	291	21	34	606,468
Gators N Bears.....	32	122	16	18	417,610
Go for Gin.....	43	226	17	20	417,481
Seeking Daylight....	21	124	16	26	388,182
Crowd Pleaser.....	18	98	15	23	354,209
Allen's Prospect.....	18	96	7	12	255,226
Fantasticat.....	21	98	10	14	237,001
Citidancer.....	11	72	7	14	213,593

2-year-old earnings in 2010

	Strs	Starts	Wnrs	Wins	Earnings
†Deputy Storm.....	8	20	1	3	\$151,185
Louis Quatorze.....	7	12	3	3	98,645
Lion Hearted.....	8	25	3	3	89,236
Dance With Ravens..	15	28	2	2	83,587
Domestic Dispute....	14	31	3	3	74,689
Fantasticat.....	7	21	2	2	55,420
Not For Love.....	6	11	2	2	51,841

Earnings lifetime

	Strs	Starts	Wnrs	Wins	Earnings
Allen's Prospect.....	927	23,154	768	3,353	\$54,222,700
Not For Love.....	593	11,912	476	1,848	51,482,700
Two Punch.....	816	15,751	636	2,394	48,055,500
Polish Numbers.....	439	9,125	362	1,344	32,809,000
Carnivalay.....	494	13,294	405	1,815	30,362,600
Smarten.....	507	12,419	388	1,693	27,136,200
Horatius.....	590	15,152	470	1,926	26,605,400
Waquoit.....	466	10,975	354	1,477	26,014,300
Citidancer.....	296	6,986	254	1,210	25,233,100
Louis Quatorze.....	499	8,478	349	1,129	24,895,400
Eastern Echo.....	415	8,435	289	1,100	22,285,600
Outflanker.....	303	6,238	240	939	19,328,200
Deputed Testamony..	352	10,188	267	1,403	18,489,000
Oh Say.....	418	10,063	353	1,472	17,589,900
Go for Gin.....	264	4,754	173	587	16,104,600

2-year-old earnings lifetime

	Strs	Starts	Wnrs	Wins	Earnings
Allen's Prospect.....	458	1,558	175	240	\$5,629,410
Two Punch.....	397	1,275	156	193	5,042,360
Not For Love.....	263	839	102	137	4,893,640
Smarten.....	278	1,195	112	157	3,769,760
Polish Numbers.....	229	700	84	122	3,672,570
Citidancer.....	153	575	82	124	3,220,990
Eastern Echo.....	220	812	73	100	3,032,700
Louis Quatorze.....	242	744	75	95	2,937,150
Carnivalay.....	249	1,010	88	122	2,480,130
Outflanker.....	168	692	71	97	2,426,640
Lion Hearted.....	156	511	62	87	2,337,830
Waquoit.....	198	681	56	81	1,920,960
Horatius.....	267	991	99	134	1,642,260
Oh Say.....	152	574	65	90	1,457,000
Go for Gin.....	136	431	27	32	825,770

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Thoroughbred horsemen welcome summit hearings and open dialogue on future of state's racing industry

New Jersey's Thoroughbred racing and breeding industry has expressed its support for members of the Senate and Assembly's Democratic Caucus charged with vetting ideas and options aimed at sustaining the state's gaming, sports and entertainment industries.

"Increased dialogue on these important issues is merited," said John Forbes, president of the New Jersey Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association. "The state's Thoroughbred industry and our Monmouth Park meet has long been a shining star in the sport of horse racing. This year has been our most exceptional in history, due to our 50-day/\$50 million elite summer meet. What we have shown is that when you offer a quality product in a beautiful venue more people will attend a day at the races and more wagering will occur."

"I see these hearings as another opportunity to tout the success of this year's Monmouth Park meet," said Tom Swales, president of the Thoroughbred Breeders' Association of New Jersey. "Each day of racing at Monmouth Park featured at least two races that only New Jersey-bred Thoroughbreds could

enter. These races highlighted the synergy between New Jersey's horse farms and training centers and Monmouth Park, allowing us to show off how racing enhances both the quality of life of our citizens and is integral to open space and farmland preservation."

New Jersey's horse racing industry is tied to approximately 176,000 acres of open space and farmland in the most densely populated state in the country. Only 8 percent of this land is in farmland preservation. New Jersey has lost 50 percent of its farmland in the past 50 years, according to the New Jersey Farm Bureau.

"The governor as well as members of the Republican party also have stood firm that New Jersey wants the horse racing and breeding industry to remain part of the state's landscape. Options must be found to sustain it now and into the future," said Forbes. "Sports, gaming and entertainment are not partisan issues, or for that matter north Jersey vs. south Jersey issues. They are New Jersey issues, and something has to be done now to ensure that these industries remain self-sustaining and viable economic engines in the years to come."

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Reactions to the New Jersey Gaming, Sports and Entertainment Advisory Commission report

Dennis Robinson, president and CEO, New Jersey Sports & Exposition Authority:

"Our management team will work with the Advisory Commission to create a new operating model for the Authority and its various lines of

business. The implementation of these key strategies is in the best long-term interests of the sports complex, our customers, the state and our hard-working and dedicated employees. We have long advocated new solutions for our core business of

racing, an important state industry. The Monmouth Park experiment this summer shows that there is a clear way forward with creative thinking and effective implementation of new strategies.”

Assemblyman Ralph Caputo (D-Essex), a leading advocate for video lottery terminals at the Meadowlands:

“I call on the governor to quickly reject the recommendation to sell or close the Meadowlands race track.

“That recommendation is the exact opposite of what we should be doing to spark New Jersey’s economy, ease our budget problems and create jobs. The last thing we should be doing is giving up this asset. Rather, we should be exploiting its full potential and modernizing it by adding video lottery terminals to the Meadowlands.

“How can we walk away from an opportunity to raise up to \$700 million annually and create up to 2,000 new jobs? Simply put, we cannot do so responsibly.

“At the very least the question of whether VLTs should be placed in the Meadowlands should go to the voters for their consideration.

“We must face the fact that partly because of the lack of a new marketing plan for Atlantic City, gamblers are already being lured away to new gaming venues in New York, Connecticut, Pennsylvania and Delaware. We have a responsibility to protect Atlantic City casinos, but also to do all we can to support our entire gaming industry, retain and expand the revenue it generates and, most importantly, keep that revenue here in New Jersey.”

Assembly Speaker Sheila Y. Oliver (D-Essex / Passaic):

“Sports and gaming are key to our state’s economy and job creation, so proposals to enhance those industries will always receive due

consideration. I fully expect these ideas will especially be a focus of the upcoming gaming summit called by Democratic legislators.

“It’s also important to remember that many legislators have their own valid ideas for ensuring New Jersey remains a leader in the sports, entertainment and gaming industries. Those ideas will receive equal attention in the months ahead, whether they be for Atlantic City, the Meadowlands or both.

“It is without question absolutely important to make sure Atlantic City remains strong, but it’s important to remember that transforming the Meadowlands complex into a modern and vibrant entertainment destination is also essential to New Jersey’s economy. We must find ways to embrace the potential of both.”

Assemblywoman Connie Wagner (D-Bergen), a leading advocate for video lottery terminals at the Meadowlands:

“Any recommendation to sell or close the Meadowlands race track is beyond disappointing. I urge Governor Christie to reject it and instead embrace efforts to bring video lottery terminals to the track to modernize it and allow it to readily compete with other states.

“I understand the need to focus on Atlantic City, but the reality is that neighbors such as Connecticut, New York and Pennsylvania are expanding their gambling offerings and luring away our customers. We must face that fact and adjust to it, not simply give up on one of our great assets.

“VLTs at the Meadowlands could bring in hundreds of millions of dollars in new revenue and create thousands of new jobs. That is an opportunity we cannot responsibly leave behind. I will continue my efforts to make it reality and hope the governor sees the light on this issue.”

Senator Jennifer Beck issues response to New Jersey Gaming, Sports and Entertainment report

With the July 21 release of the Governor’s Advisory Commission on New Jersey Gaming, Sports and Entertainment report calling for more investment and government control over Atlantic City and for the privatization of the state horse tracks, there remains the glaring omission of any serious discussion about the pros and cons of allowing slot machines, video lottery terminals, or even a full casino with table gaming at the Meadowlands race track.

The report wrongfully dismisses horse racing as less important to the state than casino gaming,

when in fact this \$4 billion industry brings in a proportional share of revenue, as well as supplying 13,000 jobs and protecting approximately 200,000 acres of open space.

Although previously a profit-generating enterprise, horse racing began to see a decline in 2007, the same point at which the report states Atlantic City began its “free fall,” when competition began appearing in border states.

Since that time, Atlantic City has lost 25 percent of its gross revenue base, which equates to more than \$1 billion in lost revenues. This year is no better.

In June 2010, casino revenues are down 11 percent compared to the same time period last year. In response to that competition, New Jersey has done very little, but now we are at a crossroads and the business model for both horse racing and casino gaming must be rethought and reworked.

I have long been advocating for a casino at the Meadowlands because it would not only provide an added draw to that location but, by attracting people and dollars to a New Jersey destination, would also help rebuild Atlantic City into the kind of resort it once was and can be again.

On the very day the report was released, Harrah's opened table gaming 15 miles across our border in Pennsylvania at Chester Downs. Yet the company continues to fight against table gaming at race tracks within New Jersey. Our casinos' interests do not always coincide with the interests of New Jersey citizens, who have come to rely on the income generated by gaming and racing throughout the state.

Although the report offered some useful information that should certainly be referenced as we make decisions regarding the future of gaming in New Jersey, by continuing to discuss racing and casino gaming as separate and competing entities, the state is only burying its head further in the sand as casinos and racinos sprout up all along our borders in Pennsylvania, New York, Delaware and Maryland. As long as we continue to ignore this trend and refuse to look at gaming from a statewide point of view, we will continue to lose gaming dollars to other states.

This report continues to make the same mistake New Jersey has made for the last decade – viewing Atlantic City in isolation, not just from horse racing, but from the competition in neighboring states. The refusal to acknowledge that convenience gaming is

the new gaming model and to continue with this myopic view of Atlantic City as the only gaming game in town will continue to be destructive to both casinos and race tracks.

These gaming dollars are more important now than ever before because, as the report states, Atlantic City is facing some serious problems. Listed first among the contributing factors to Atlantic City's decline is the perception of the city as "unclean and unsafe," but I disagree.

The fact is that gaming opportunities are everywhere, and making the Atlantic City boardwalk a little cleaner and a little safer is not going to be enough to face down the 32 other gaming venues in the five-state region, and certainly not the 12 that are right along our borders, luring away even New Jersey residents to spend their gaming dollars out of state.

Of course, if one is to view gaming in the state as a single industry, as an industry where one side can assist the other, where there is give and take that strengthens every party, then the solution is quite simple.

I believe in a casino at the Meadowlands, not simply because it would be a positive move for the racing industry, but a portion of the profits would go toward helping build Atlantic City back to the destination resort town it was in its heyday.

A portion of the profits would also go toward supporting the horse racing industry, of course. But under my plan, 70 percent of the revenues from such a venture could go back to the people of New Jersey in the form of paying down our debt, reinvesting in the Transportation Trust Fund or restoring the Homestead Rebate. In a fiscal crisis like the one currently being faced by New Jersey, we cannot afford to ignore an obvious source of revenue.

/Senator Jennifer Beck (R-Monmouth)

State Senator asks Attorney General to look into OTW delay

Senator Sean Kean (R-Monmouth) has asked New Jersey Attorney General Paula Dow to inquire into the nearly nine-year delay in constructing off-track wagering facilities in New Jersey. Of the 15 authorized in 2001, only three are operational. Monies from the off-track wagering facilities would have contributed substantial sums to subsidize the purses at New Jersey horse racing facilities.

The letter follows:

Dear Attorney General Dow:

In 2001, the New Jersey State Legislature and the Governor enacted legislation authorizing construction of 15 Off Track Wagering facilities in New Jersey for horse wagering. These facilities would provide considerable revenue to supplement purses to sustain the viability of horse racing in the state. As of today, only 3 facilities have been constructed state-wide.

It has come to my attention that an Off Track Wagering facility authorized to be built in Cherry Hill, Camden County in 2003, has not yet been built. The difficulties facing the horse racing industry in New Jersey are varied

and complex; however, it is undeniable that some of the revenue this facility would have generated could have been allocated to subsidize purses at Monmouth Park Race Track. Cherry Hill would be an outstanding location for Off Track Wagering given its geographic proximity to Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey.

Because the law grants the racing commission regulatory authority over the licensing of these facilities, I am asking that your office conduct an inquiry into the nearly nine year delay in the construction of the Cherry Hill facility. Also, I am asking that your office recommend to the Legislature

any changes to the Off Track Wagering it feels is necessary to remedy the long-term delays that have plagued the establishment of these facilities.

The failure of the state to oversee the construction of this facility and the other statutorily authorized Off Track Wagering facilities has put New Jersey racing in an uncompetitive position when compared with neighboring states.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this matter. I look forward to the conclusions your office makes to resolve this issue.

Animal waste management plans

As required by law, the New Jersey Department of Agriculture adopted regulations in March 2009 that require all livestock owners to responsibly manage the manure generated on their operations, including those with horses, dairy cows, cattle, swine, goats, sheep, poultry and all other domesticated species defined as livestock.

The regulations require:

- All farms with any livestock to comply with the general requirements of the rule.
- All operations with eight to 299 animal units (one animal unit equals 1,000 pounds) to develop an animal waste management plan by September 2010.

Operations with eight to 299 animal units with animal densities greater than one animal unit per acre are required to have their animal waste management plan reviewed to ensure conformance with the New Jersey-Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG). The FOTG describes best management practices for manure management on livestock farms. Those farms with densities less than one animal unit per acre only need to submit their

declarations page to their local Rutgers Cooperative Extension office.

- Operations with 300 or more animal units, regardless of animal density, are required to develop and implement a comprehensive nutrient management plan and be certified by the New Jersey Department of Agriculture.

- Farms that receive or apply 142 or more tons of animal waste per year must develop an animal waste management plan.

The animal waste management plans must be implemented by March 2012.

Rutgers Cooperative Extension has provided training for livestock farmers during the spring and fall of 2009 and the winter of 2010 to assist them in developing Animal Waste Management Plans.

Please visit <http://njaes.rutgers.edu/animal-waste-management/meetings.asp> for additional information.

A list of Extension offices and contact information may be found at <http://njaes.rutgers.edu>.

North Carolina

THOROUGHBRED ASSOCIATION

October 2010

President's message

The NCTA is a small group, but our owners are doing very well at the tracks. Every month we have new winners and lots of excitement anticipating where the horses will make their next start.

The NCTA tries to make sure it keeps up with the member-owned and member-bred horses who are on the tracks, breeding farms and headed to the sales. To do this, and do it well, I need members to send names of their runners (along with dam's name and year of birth). We will follow these horses in our virtual stable.

Breeding and sales news may be sent directly. The e-mail address is ncthoroughbred@gmail.com.

Remember—this is your newsletter and you are the news-maker.

/Joanne Dew

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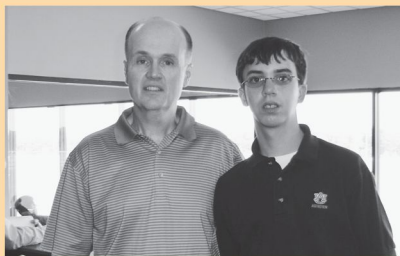
NCTA's Day at the Races



Bob Calabrese did some serious handicapping during the NCTA's Day at the Races at Colonial Downs. It was his first time at an NCTA function.



NCTA stalwarts (from left): Norma Jones, Dianne Sanford and Ruth Brumitt. The event has many attendees returning year after year.



Steve Laymon and his son, Tyler, enjoyed the horse racing and fellowship. Laymon is an active owner/breeder (see his news below).



It was another winning performance by event organizer and NCTA president, Joanne Dew (left), with Christy Suits and Michelle Bradley.

Hoofprints

Steve Laymon has a new runner named Margarita Friday, who won a maiden special weight on the turf at Belmont Park on July 18. It was the second lifetime start for the 3-year-old daughter of Johannesburg trained by Chad Brown. Margarita Friday was bred by Laymon and John Eaton, who own her in partnership with Mark Sayeg. She is out of the Capote mare Smile Maker, whose dam, Desireux (by Fappiano), is a half-sister to sprint champion Housebuster.

Beth Muirhead's stakes-producing mare Frisky Cheerleader (by Roar) has struck paydirt once again. Her second foal, the 4-year-old filly She'sa Tough Tiger (by Tiger Ridge), won a five-furlong turf allowance at Monmouth Park on July 30, covering the distance in a rapid

:55.79. Owned in partnership by Muirhead, Frank Coniglio and Sid Ritman, She'sa Tough Tiger is trained by Timothy Hills. She has won or placed in four of her six starts, for earnings of \$82,720.

She'sa Tough Tiger has a half-brother, a 2-year-old by Exchange Rate named Special Exchange, who is owned by Coniglio and Ritman (NCTA members residing in Palm Beach, Fla.) and Frank Ferrogine of Maryland. Special Exchange is being trained by Marty Wolfson at Calder and from all reports he's going to be fast and competitive just like his two half-sisters.

Frisky Cheerleader's first foal, Special Cheers (2004, Concerto), won the Sandpiper Stakes and earned \$66,759; she is now a member of the broodmare band at

Beth and Al Muirhead's Gretna Green Farm in Hillsborough.

Frisky Cheerleader's yearling colt, Special Congrats (by Congrats), was catalogued to Keeneland's September sale.

Sandy and Joanne Dew's mare Phone Chances (Phone Trick—Buck the Odds, by Spend a Buck) is represented on track by the 5-year-old mare Estrella Victoria, who added to her career resume a third-place finish at Thistledown on July 27, going one mile on the dirt. A daughter of Changeintheweather, Estrella Victoria is owned by Thomas Thornton and trained by his wife, Nancy Thornton. Phone Chances has a yearling filly by Stormin Fever consigned to the Fasig-Tipton Kentucky October Yearling sale.

The Dews also have a yearling entered in the Keeneland September sale—a Mali-

bu Moon colt out of their good race mare Cozy Blues who sells early on the fourth day of the mammoth sale.

Cozy Blues's Grand Slam colt, Grand Idol, sold at the 2009 Keeneland September Yearling sale to Preston Racing, is at the Fair Hill Training Center under the care of trainer Michael Matz.

Reggie Beeson continues on a grand ride with D'wild Ride (by D'wildcat), who is out of his outstanding producer Summer Storm. D'wild Ride, a 5-year-old mare who has won or placed in seven stakes during her career, finished second as favorite while bidding for her second consecutive victory in the Regret Stakes at Monmouth Park on August 1, missing by one and three-quarters lengths to Lady Alexander. An earner of \$387,766, she is

owned by Silly Goose Racing Stable and trained by Joe Orseno.

Daniel and Christy Shea's homebred Wicked Gracie (Strike Adduce—Sea Beach Express, by Captain Bodgit) was broken and trained by Tom Hendrickson's brother David, who runs East Carolina Training in Wilson. David Hendrickson took the 3-year-old filly to Charles Town on July 23, and she broke her maiden running for a tag.

Jim Hardin is having a good time with his homebred 3-year-old gelding Sharp Start (Jump Start—Toy Symphony, by Trempolino), who has finished in the money in each of his last three starts. The most recent was at Delaware Park on August 5, at a mile and a sixteenth. He is trained by Randy Nunley.

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Pennsylvania Slot Revenue Distribution				
After Health & Pension Dollars To Horsemen		83.33% to Purses	16.66% to TB Breed Fund	16.66% to Sire Stakes/SBF
January 1 through June 30, 2010 (rounded to dollars)				
Mohegan Sun	\$11,326,385	\$9,438,654		\$1,887,731
Philadelphia Park	\$20,982,690	\$17,485,575	\$3,497,115	
Harrah's	\$15,775,360	\$13,146,133		\$2,629,226
Presque Isle Downs	\$8,425,398	\$7,021,165	\$1,404,233	
Meadows	\$12,435,292	\$10,362,743		\$2,072,549
HCPN	\$13,143,521	\$10,952,934	\$2,190,587	
Totals	\$82,088,645	\$68,407,204	\$7,091,935	\$6,589,506

July 1 through August 24, 2010 (rounded to dollars)				
Mohegan Sun	\$4,847,291	\$4,039,409		\$807,882
Philadelphia Park	\$8,473,061	\$7,060,884	\$1,412,177	
Harrah's	\$6,284,474	\$5,237,061		\$1,047,412
Presque Isle Downs	\$3,964,228	\$3,303,524	\$660,705	
Meadows	\$5,544,205	\$4,620,171		\$924,034
HCPN	\$5,432,197	\$4,526,831	\$905,366	
Totals	\$34,545,456	\$28,787,880	\$2,978,248	\$2,779,328

PENNSYLVANIA BREEDING FUND						
Comparative Summary of Handle, Award and Stakes and Overnight Payments January 1 through June 30, 2010 (rounded to dollars)						
THOROUGHBRED HANDLE AT PENNSYLVANIA FACILITIES						
	2010 June	2009 June	Monthly Change	2010 1/1 - 6/30	2009 1/1 - 6/30	YTD Net Change
Philadelphia Park	\$20,533,614	\$23,917,933	-\$3,384,319	\$123,862,202	\$151,193,877	-\$27,331,675
live race days	18	18		98	109	
Penn National	\$10,020,783	\$11,257,935	-\$1,237,152	\$61,492,151	\$78,322,740	-\$16,830,589
live race days	22	16		100	96	
Presque Isle Downs	\$1,913,861	\$2,411,716	-\$497,855	\$6,477,983	\$7,616,823	-\$1,138,840
live race days	22	20		22	20	
Harrah's Chester	\$1,502,668	\$1,646,580	-\$143,912	\$9,138,506	\$9,942,439	-\$803,933
live race days	17	21		40	52	
The Meadows	\$6,532,341	\$6,981,063	-\$448,722	\$37,344,866	\$42,844,883	-\$5,500,017
live race days	22	18		110	106	
Pocono Downs	\$4,623,350	\$5,010,213	-\$386,863	\$29,029,941	\$32,319,724	-\$3,289,783
live race days	18	17		58	52	
TOTALS	\$45,126,617	\$51,225,440	-\$6,098,823	\$267,345,649	\$322,240,486	-\$54,894,837
live race days	119	110	9	428	435	-7

PENNSYLVANIA-BRED ACTIVITY BY TRACK AND THEN BY RACE CLASSIFICATION

January 1 through July 31, 2010 (rounded to dollars)

Penn National				% of Total Starts	F/P 1-3 Purse Share	PA-Bred Bonus	Total Earned	% of Total Earnings	Breeder Awards			Stallion Awards	Owner Awards	Total Awards	% of Total Awards
Unique starters	841	Indiv	F/P						Non-PA Sired	PA-Sired	Total				
Race Type	Eligibility	Starts	1 to 3												
Stakes	PA-Bred	19	7	0.8%	148,500	0	148,500	2.5%	24,300	8,100	32,400	2,700	0	35,100	2.3%
Allowance	PA-Bred	116	69	8.2%	674,310	0	674,310	11.3%	101,774	49,632	151,406	16,544	0	167,950	10.8%
	Open	109	64	7.6%	624,660	124,932	749,592	12.6%	109,032	61,330	170,362	20,443	0	190,805	12.3%
Starter	Open	15	4	0.5%	34,080	6,816	40,896	0.7%	4,771	5,112	9,883	1,704	0	11,587	0.7%
Cl 12.5k & up	PA-Bred	37	15	1.8%	104,650	0	104,650	1.8%	9,798	16,698	26,496	5,566	0	32,062	2.1%
	Open	70	36	4.3%	257,200	51,440	308,640	5.2%	44,098	26,446	70,543	8,815	0	79,358	5.1%
Cl 8.5k-12k	PA-Bred	35	21	2.5%	121,030	0	121,030	2.0%	19,912	6,441	26,353	2,147	0	28,500	1.8%
	Open	105	54	6.4%	337,230	67,446	404,676	6.8%	60,835	30,150	90,985	10,050	0	101,035	6.5%
Cl 5k-7.5k	PA-Bred	79	23	2.7%	99,850	0	99,850	1.7%	12,206	11,646	23,852	3,882	5,940	33,674	2.2%
	Open	198	127	15.0%	529,740	105,948	635,688	10.7%	87,482	59,483	146,965	19,828	0	166,793	10.8%
Cl 3.5k-4.5k	PA-Bred	16	5	0.6%	9,730	0	9,730	0.2%	1,162	1,176	2,338	392	0	2,730	0.2%
	Open	53	29	3.4%	92,680	18,536	111,216	1.9%	14,729	11,272	26,000	3,757	0	29,758	1.9%
M S W	PA-Bred	107	57	6.8%	544,180	0	544,180	9.1%	78,662	45,261	123,923	15,087	0	139,010	9.0%
	Open	56	25	3.0%	249,140	49,828	298,968	5.0%	49,164	15,944	65,108	5,315	0	70,423	4.5%
Md Cl 12.5k-25k	PA-Bred	60	24	2.8%	172,900	0	172,900	2.9%	22,036	18,816	40,852	6,272	0	47,124	3.0%
	Open	82	36	4.3%	225,150	45,030	270,180	4.5%	42,890	16,718	59,609	5,573	0	65,182	4.2%
Md Cl 5k-10k	PA-Bred	189	104	12.3%	556,870	0	556,870	9.4%	76,094	52,920	129,014	17,640	0	146,654	9.5%
	Open	226	144	17.1%	581,560	116,312	697,872	11.7%	76,526	94,572	171,098	31,524	0	202,622	13.1%
TOTALS		1,572	844	100%	5,363,460	586,288	5,949,748	100.0%	835,472	531,716	1,367,188	177,239	5,940	1,550,367	100.0%
													Awards % of track to All Tracks Total		38%

Philadelphia Park				% of Total Starts	F/P 1-3 Purse Share	PA-Bred Bonus	Total Earned	% of Total Earnings	Breeder Awards			Stallion Awards	Owner Awards	Total Awards	% of Total Awards
Unique starters	658	Indiv	F/P						Non-PA Sired	PA-Sired	Total				
Race Type	Eligibility	Starts	1 to 3												
Stakes	PA-Bred	29	15	1.8%	341,250	0	341,250	4.0%	48,300	29,925	78,225	9,975	0	88,200	4.15%
Allowance	PA-Bred	16	3	0.4%	42,000	0	42,000	0.5%	1,680	10,080	11,760	3,360	0	15,120	0.71%
	Open	92	39	4.7%	518,760	207,504	726,264	8.5%	124,454	31,198	155,652	10,399	0	166,051	7.81%
Starter	Open	114	78	9.4%	522,000	208,800	730,800	8.6%	119,134	40,538	159,673	13,513	0	173,186	8.14%
Cl 12.5k & up	Open	155	110	13.3%	826,640	330,656	1,157,296	13.6%	181,496	74,945	256,441	24,982	0	281,422	13.23%
Cl 8.5k-12k	Open	73	52	6.3%	400,390	160,156	560,546	6.6%	87,226	37,325	124,551	12,442	0	136,993	6.44%
Cl 5k-7.5k	Open	209	248	29.9%	1,527,260	610,904	2,138,164	25.2%	274,711	229,383	504,094	76,461	0	580,555	27.29%
M S W	PA-Bred	22	7	0.8%	82,820	0	82,820	1.0%	16,564	0	16,564	0	0	16,564	0.78%
	Open	83	43	5.2%	499,380	199,752	699,132	8.2%	125,821	21,008	146,829	7,003	0	153,832	7.23%
Md Cl 12.5k-25k	Open	149	89	10.7%	619,300	247,720	867,020	10.2%	144,396	43,512	187,908	14,504	0	202,412	9.51%
Md Cl 5k-10k	Open	197	146	17.6%	821,050	328,420	1,149,470	13.5%	146,742	124,727	271,470	41,576	0	313,046	14.72%
TOTALS		1,139	830	100%	6,200,850	2,293,912	8,494,762	100.0%	1,270,524	642,642	1,913,166	214,214	0	2,127,380	100.0%
													Awards % of track to All Tracks Total		53%

Presque Isle Downs				% of Total Starts	F/P 1-3 Purse Share	PA-Bred Bonus	Total Earned	% of Total Earnings	Breeder Awards			Stallion Awards	Owner Awards	Total Awards	% of Total Awards
Unique starters	214	Indiv	F/P						Non-PA Sired	PA-Sired	Total				
Race Type	Eligibility	Starts	1 to 3												
Stakes	PA-Bred	10	6	3.2%	135,000	0	135,000	8.3%	24,000	4,500	28,500	1,500	0	30,000	8.34%
Allowance	PA-Bred	23	15	8.1%	168,300	0	168,300	10.4%	31,440	3,330	34,770	1,110	0	35,880	9.97%
	Open	24	16	8.6%	157,900	47,370	205,270	12.7%	32,474	12,870	45,344	4,290	0	49,634	13.80%
Starter	Open	3	1	0.5%	2,300	690	2,990	0.2%	598	0	598	0	0	598	0.17%
Cl 12.5k & up	Open	15	4	2.2%	20,100	6,030	26,130	1.6%	5,226	0	5,226	0	0	5,226	1.45%
Cl 8.5k-12k	PA-Bred	15	9	4.8%	37,800	0	37,800	2.3%	5,600	2,940	8,540	980	0	9,520	2.65%
	Open	4	3	1.6%	31,800	9,540	41,340	2.6%	8,268	0	8,268	0	0	8,268	2.30%
Cl 5k-7.5k	PA-Bred	16	6	3.2%	25,200	0	25,200	1.6%	3,080	2,940	6,020	980	0	7,000	1.95%
	Open	48	33	17.7%	141,500	42,450	183,950	11.3%	33,930	4,290	38,220	1,430	0	39,650	11.02%
M S W	PA-Bred	70	42	22.6%	441,000	0	441,000	27.2%	88,200	0	88,200	0	0	88,200	24.51%
	Open	21	9	4.8%	108,500	32,550	141,050	8.7%	28,210	0	28,210	0	0	28,210	7.84%
Md Cl 12.5k-25k	Open	15	9	4.8%	50,400	15,120	65,520	4.0%	8,424	7,020	15,444	2,340	0	17,784	4.94%
Md Cl 5k-10k	PA-Bred	30	15	8.1%	63,000	0	63,000	3.9%	5,320	10,920	16,240	3,640	0	19,880	5.53%
	Open	35	18	9.7%	65,000	19,500	84,500	5.2%	13,858	4,563	18,421	1,521	0	19,942	5.54%
TOTALS		329	186	100%	1,447,800	173,250	1,621,050	100.0%	288,628	53,373	342,001	17,791	0	359,792	100.0%
													Awards % of track to All Tracks Total		9%

2010 PENNSYLVANIA-BRED STAKES SCHEDULE

Race Date	Track	Name of Race	Eligibility	Distance	Value
Sat May 8	Phila Pk	Foxy J. G. S	3&up, f&m	7 Fur	\$75,000
		1st - JEMILYN; 2nd - Puddy de Luca; 3rd - Best Lass			
Sat May 8	Phila Pk	Lyman H	3&up	7 Fur	\$75,000
		1st - MOON ROYAL; 2nd - Tejanos Eliminator; 3rd - Whistle Pig			
Fri May 28	Penn Nat	Danzig S	3YO	6 Fur	\$75,000
		1st - FOREIGN ARGUMENT; 2nd - Gator Bay; 3rd - Alex's Vision			
Fri May 28	Penn Nat	Wonders Delight S	3YO fillies	6 Fur	\$75,000
		1st - LIAM'S DREAM; 2nd - Lovabull Me; 3rd - Listen In			
Fri Jun 25	PID	Leematt S	3&up	6 Fur	\$75,000
		1st - ZOELING; 2nd - Whistle Pig; 3rd - Anaan			
Fri Jun 25	PID	Northern Fling S	3&up, f&m	6 Fur	\$75,000
		1st - ARIANA D; 2nd - Sky Haven; 3rd - Our Gala Place			
Sat Jul 3	Phila Pk	Peppy Addy S	3YO	7 Fur	\$75,000
		1st - ALEX'S VISION; 2nd - Punish; 3rd - Golddigger's Boy			
Sat Jul 3	Phila Pk	Caught in the Rain S	3YO fillies	7 Fur	\$75,000
		1st - OUTLAW DANCER; 2nd - Lovabull Me; 3rd - Ms. Moscow			
Fri Jul 30	Phila Pk	Power by Far S	3YO, PA-Sired	6 Fur	\$75,000
		Canceled			
Fri Jul 30	Phila Pk	Roanoke S	3YO fillies, PA-Sired	6 Fur	\$75,000
		1st - LOVE RIDGE; 2nd - Lovabull Me; 3rd - Hygh Jacque			
Fri Aug 6	Penn Nat	Robellino S	3&up	1 1/16 M - Turf	\$75,000
		1st - CROW'S NEST; 2nd - Pocket Patch; 3rd - Auction Watch			
Fri Aug 6	Penn Nat	Russian Rhythm	3&up, f&m	1 1/16 M - Turf	\$75,000
		1st - FUGITIVE ANGEL; 2nd - Lovelier; 3rd - Domestic Bliss			
Thu Aug 19	PID	Lil E. Tee H	3YO	1 1/16 M	\$75,000
		1st - RYAN'S GIFT; 2nd - Runaway Brute; 3rd - Quechee			
Thu Aug 19	PID	Malvern Rose S	3YO fillies	1 1/16 M	\$75,000
		1st - FUGITIVE ANGEL; 2nd - Outlaw Dancer; 3rd - You Need Me			

Pennsylvania's Day At The Races - Philadelphia Park - Saturday, September 11, 2010

Sat Sep 11	Phila Pk	PHBA Classic	3&up	1 1/16 M	\$100,000
Sat Sep 11	Phila Pk	Mr. Jenney H	3&up	5 Fur - Turf	\$100,000
Sat Sep 11	Phila Pk	PA Horse Breeders Distaff	3&up, f&m	1 1/16 M	\$150,000
Sat Sep 11	Phila Pk	Mrs. Penny S	3&up, f&m	5 Fur - Turf	\$100,000

Sat Oct 9	Phila Pk	Alphabet Soup H	3&up	1 1/16 M - Turf	\$75,000
Fri Oct 15	Penn Nat	Nepal S	3&up, PA-Sired	1 1/16 M	\$75,000
Fri Oct 15	Penn Nat	Ligature S	3&up, f&m, PA-Sired	1 1/16 M	\$75,000
Wed Nov 24	Penn Nat	Blue Mountain Juvenile S	2YO fillies	6 Fur	\$75,000
Sat Nov 27	Phila Pk	PA Nursery S	2YO, c&g	7 Fur	\$75,000

REMINDERS

Pennsylvania Broodmare Domicile Reports are due by October 15, 2010, for mares foaling in 2011. Report forms and instructions were mailed to current members and are also available on www.pabred.com.

December 31, 2010 is the deadline for PA Registered Stallions for the 2010 breeding season.

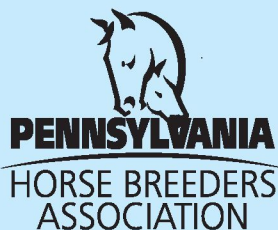
Foals of 2010 and after early registration is due within one year (365 days) of foaling (\$50 members / \$125 non-members).

Yearling registration is due by December 31 of the yearling year (\$100 members / \$250 non-members).

Late registration after that deadline is \$500 and requires additional paperwork.

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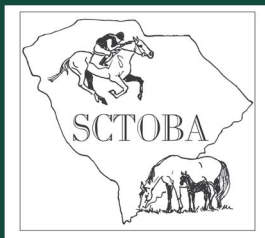
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Residency Races set for November 14

The sixth runnings of the Christopher Elser Memorial and Donna Freyer Stakes are set for November 14 at Philadelphia Park.

Lee Christian, SCTOBA president, said, "We had a tremendous response to the new purses of \$75,000. We expect the interest in the entry box will be brisk and hope the races will be the best yet. We again wish to thank Sal Sinatra and Philadelphia Park in helping us with the South Carolina Residency Races."

Following is a list of nominees for each of the events:

Christopher Elser Memorial

Andrun, Awed, Awesome Bet, Bama Bully, Beatnik, Berlin Calling, Big Carlos Pass, Big John E Boy, Bigbossman, Bingo Bango Bongo, Blading Silver, Bluffmaster, Bo Brown, Bold Conviction, Bold Orator, Brand New Moves, Bravo Domenico, Brigadier General, Bristol Harbour, Buckhorn, By the Pie, Cacaway, Camdenite, Canfield, Captain Casey, Caymus, Citybreak, Clearance Sale, Complete Dyno, Corvino, Coupon, Criminal Justice, Cryin' Ryan, Crystal Mansion, C. V. Perilous, D. C. Gene, Doc's Hero, Dynabrook, Eagle Eye Justice, Eastern Giving, E. Blue, Erimus, Eye Got the Power, Felton Road, First Instinct, Ghost Watch, Gianablue, Given Free, Golden Set, Great Karoo, Greek Gold, Greek Warrior, Helicopter Ace, Innisfree, I Suppose, Jab N Punch, Jack London, Just for Frank, Kacvinsky, Kingston Five, Knows How to Rock, Lateef, Leather Gloves, Medaglia's Image, Memory Motel, Merry's Very Won, Midwest Swing, Miscoe Gray, Mugsy Dehere, Nanaimo, Noble Doss, Our Bill Perry, Pahinui, Pazzo Razzo, Peb Hughes, Practical Justice, Premium Justice, Proper Villain, Public Secret, Puff the Dragon, Pure Sovereignty, Quartermaster, Quickavist, Rampage, Red All Over, Rod's Five Star, Rounder, Run Tommy Run, Run With Ferdie, Search, Secondhat Emotion, Shackelford, Shackleton Hill, Sheriff Bullock, Shetan, Show Business, Sky Music, Southern Sail, Southpaw

Barry, Steel the Reward, Stormy Going, Strike Down, Sugar Pop, Sunshine Law, Sweet Storm, Tellitallbrother, T Man Rocks, Ucan'tcme, Vander Gelder, Voce Del Leone, Volcker, Voodoo Charm, Warriors Walk, Wee Freudian, What a Daniel, Whitey Wheeler, Will Run for Gold, 2008 Crafty Melody, 2008 Ethel Anna, 2008 Eventually, 2008 Jamie's Coco Pop, 2008 Maid's Broom, 2008 Silver Lace, 2008 Special Moves.

Donna Freyer Stakes

Absolute Justice, Accent, Accept, Air Guitar, Aldebaone, Amber Sky, Ambient, Anabaa'a Fortune, Annapolis Harbor, Antipasti, Artie's Party, Arzani, Bacchante, Bayonne, Beautiful Temper, Bella Chianti, Bella Dama, Bell Keeper, Button Girl, Call to Taps, Campaign Vows, Carousing, Cascade's Comet, Cat Chance, Cetewayo's Legacy, Class Hex, Classic Justice, Clearly Missy Mae, Congaree Princess, Cosmo Avanti, Country First, Crown Me Now, Da' Kiss, Dancinginherdreams, Devoted Gal, Disputed Miss, Dream, Dressy Boots, Dunlin, Dynamic Holiday, Dynaqueen, Easy Virtue, Eighteenkaratgold, Expressively, First Whippoorwill, Frances Mary, French Dawn, Game Change, Gigi's Speed, Ginger Snapit, Glackety, Gold Ink, Golden Dina, Gozen's Gold, Grand Mistress, Great Lookingblonde, Groundswell, Guns n' Roses Girl, Haengun Party, Hamsin, Heir's the Storm, Her Smile, Here Comes Dessert, Hokkaido, Hollopenny, Holy Spice, In for a Penny, Independent Lady, Island Home, It's My Passion, Ivars Sunshine, Jackie Mo, Justicegothrythm, Kela's Amy, Knysna, Krusin Kelly, Lady of Merit, Lady's Princess, Lance, Legacy's Hope, Lemondropkisses, Letem Run, Lily the Pink, Lipstick Traces, Little E's Thunder, Littlebitwicked, Liukin, Looks Like Sis, Lucky Strikes Gold, Mezzotinta, Midwinter, Miracle Mouse, Miss Bollywood, Miss Frigidair, Miss Malaprop, Miss Ravallo, Miss Sugarmagnolia, Molly Mingun, Muir Woods, My Phi Temper, My Runner, Nobu Baby, Not Enuff Justice, Over the Moon, Paradise by the C, Petrezza, Pink Pallet, Platinum Cat, Pleasant Melody, Pleine Forme, Plum Pretty, Prime April, Promise the Moon, Queens Reward, Racing Dee, Re Examine, Read the Music, Rigoberta, Rinella Bay, Scatso Rouser, Saltamontes, Saratta, Sassymay, Scuttle, Schilady, Schillerette, Siena'sgotapoint, Silver Jo, So Picky, Speedy's Gal, Sporty Bombshell, Start Toasting, Steamy, Stella M, Stollen, Striking Wonder, Sum Diva, Summertime Green, Table Talking, Talented Nut, Toomer's Corner, True Temper, Walk Softly, Wild About Africa, Wild Mocha, Wildcat Mattie, Winter Memories, Wudnotmakadiferenc, 2008 Bella Chiarr, 2008 Holiday Lady, 2008 Hot Communicator, 2008 Red n'Gold.

Congratulations to the connections of—

Kiss Mine, who reeled off three wins in a row—an allowance race at Churchill Downs on June 26, the Ellis Park Turf Stakes at Ellis Park on July 24, and West Virginia Senate President's Stakes at Mountaineer Park on August 7. Four-year-old Kiss Mine was trained at Fenwick Farm.

Speechifying, who added her 10th lifetime win at Philadelphia Park on July 31. The 7-year-old mare now has made 38 lifetime starts for

earnings of \$485,125. Speechifying has spent time at two South Carolina training centers, the Ellore Training Center and Glenview Farm.

Hugo, who set a new course record in winning an allowance/optional claiming race at Delaware Park on August 4, going seven and a half furlongs over firm turf in 1:28.49. Hugo, now 5, is a graduate of Ellore Training Center.

South Carolina-trained winners

<i>Horse</i>	<i>Training Center</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Track</i>	<i>Type of Race</i>
K. Boy	Webb Carroll Training Center	8/15/10	Columbus	Claiming
Count to Eleven	Elloree Training Center	8/15/10	Laurel Park	Maiden special weight
Auteur	Webb Carroll Training Center	8/14/10	Woodbine	Allowance
Sweet Susan	Glenview Farm	8/14/10	Laurel Park	Maiden claiming
Cocky Princess	Elloree Training Center	8/14/10	Penn National	Allowance
Big Band Sound	Elloree Training Center	8/14/10	Laurel Park	Maiden special weight
Social Code	Keller Stables	8/13/10	Penn National	Claiming
Tigress Seven	Webb Carroll Training Center	8/13/10	Penn National	Claiming
Paper Route	Webb Carroll Training Center	8/13/10	Charles Town	Maiden claiming
Days Like This	Webb Carroll Training Center	8/12/10	Delaware Park	Maiden special weight
One Ocean Drive	Keller Stables	8/11/10	Delaware Park	Allowance
Speak Low	Fenwick Farm	8/10/10	River Downs	Maiden special weight
C V's Develen	Keller Stables	8/8/10	Charles Town	Claiming
KISS MINE	Fenwick Farm	8/7/10	Mountaineer Park	WV Senate President's S
Googlez de Cerveza	Webb Carroll Training Center	8/7/10	Ellis Park	Claiming
FUGITIVE ANGEL	Webb Carroll Training Center	8/6/10	Penn National	Russian Rhythm S
Wake Up Champ	Shuler Stables	8/5/10	Charles Town	Maiden claiming
Blushing B. J.	Shuler Stables	8/4/10	Charles Town	Maiden special weight
Kid Kate	Custom Care Equine	8/4/10	Saratoga	Allowance
Hugo	Elloree Training Center	8/4/10	Delaware Park	Optional claiming-NCR
Rita's Gold	Fenwick Farm	8/3/10	Prairie Meadows	Allowance
WINSLOW HOMER	Webb Carroll Training Center	8/1/10	Saratoga	Curlin S
Aprilmayjune	Wes Carter Training Center	8/1/10	Saratoga	Maiden claiming
Dixie Heat	Shuler Stables	8/1/10	Charles Town	Maiden special weight
GET STORMY	Custom Care Equine	8/1/10	Saratoga	Fourstardave H-G2
Slewsville	Evergreen Training Center	7/31/10	Penn National	Allowance
Drake Passage	Webb Carroll Training Center	7/31/10	Penn National	Allowance
Casi Cielo	Elloree Training Center	7/31/10	Laurel Park	Starter allowance
LOVE RIDGE	Custom Care Equine	7/30/10	Philadelphia Park	Roanoke S
Aaron's Way	Shuler Stables	7/30/10	Charles Town	Maiden special weight
Golddigger's Boy	Glenview Farm	7/30/10	Philadelphia Park	Maiden special weight
Pleine Forme	Webb Carroll Training Center	7/29/10	Presque Isle Downs	Maiden special weight
Heartbreak Affair	Shuler Stables	7/29/10	Charles Town	Maiden claiming
Jolie Ange	Nancy Terhune Training Center	7/28/10	Charles Town	Allowance
Warlocked	Nancy Terhune Training Center	7/27/10	Mountaineer Park	Allowance
Afternoon Action	Glenview Farm	7/26/10	Suffolk Downs	Maiden special weight
Emotional Lady	Nancy Terhune Training Center	7/24/10	Monmouth Park	Maiden special weight
Heir's the Storm	Glenview Farm	7/24/10	Suffolk Downs	Maiden special weight
CATEGORY SEVEN	Elloree Training Center	7/24/10	Evangeline Downs	Matron S
Lindsay's Point	Webb Carroll Training Center	7/24/10	Saratoga	Maiden special weight
KISS MINE	Fenwick Farm	7/24/10	Ellis Park	Ellis Park Turf S
Spa City Fever	Webb Carroll Training Center	7/24/10	Saratoga	Allowance
Gracefully	Nancy Terhune Training Center	7/10/10	Monmouth Park	Maiden claiming
Rita's Gold	Fenwick Farm	6/28/10	Prairie Meadows	Claiming
Winning Image	Glenview Farm	6/26/10	Suffolk Downs	Allowance
Erin Go Bey	Nancy Terhune Training Center	6/26/10	Monmouth Park	Allowance
ARIANA D	Fenwick Farm	6/25/10	Mountaineer Park	Northern Fling S
Raynick's Jet	Glenview Farm	5/15/10	Belmont Park	Allowance

Secretariat movie works despite flaws

An opportunity to attend the Washington/Baltimore critics' screening of the new movie *Secretariat* seemed too good to pass up. Especially since Bill Nack would be there as well. (Nack wrote the book, *Secretariat: The Making of a Champion*, on which the film is based.)

We arrived a few minutes early and were promptly escorted to our seats. We met and chatted briefly with Nack, who was conveniently seated immediately adjacent to us. (Nack later noted that he was "anxious" about the final product. He was very diplomatic. I was downright worried.)

The apprehension seemed appropriate. After all, this was *Secretariat* we are talking about—Big Red, Triple Crown winner, the greatest race horse of all time, Virginia's finest—you get the point.

While we all know Disney runs a first-class shedrow, it's always a bit nerve-racking when Hollywood wanders into a place where it has limited expertise. Luckily, they had Nack and Leonard Lusky (of *Secretariat.com*), among others, to help guide the way.

When you see *Secretariat*, it's important to remember it's a Disney film. It will no doubt be G-rated and it is perfect for kids and families. It is ultimately very pro-horse, pro-racing and pro-horsepeople. There isn't a single dark moment in the film except when it is revealed that Ron Turcotte once rode a horse so hard its "heart exploded." Thankfully, there was no video to accompany this conversation.

Of note to those of us in the commonwealth, when Tweedy (Diane Lane) returns to The Meadow, the audience is quickly introduced to Miss Elizabeth Ham, Christopher Chenery's longtime secretary and lifetime member of the VTA. Her movie character played by Margo Martindale is interesting and entertaining, but she bears little resemblance in look or character to the Miss Ham I knew. She plays a big role in the movie, which should delight Ham's family.



Unfortunately, two important players—longtime farm manager, VTA member, director and wonderful gentleman Howard Gentry and farm veterinarian Dr. Olive Britt have no roles. This is disappointing, as Nack's book begins with Gentry's concern over the birth of this blue-blooded colt and the words that the movie might well make famous—"There is a whopper."

The movie takes you from Mr. Chenery's death through the Triple Crown. It portrays the events that occurred perhaps as accurately as Hollywood ever could (or would want to) in the span of two hours.

Much is made of Tweedy operating in a man's world and of her fight to utilize *Secretariat* to save the family farm. No mention is made of stablemate Riva Ridge, awarded the first Eclipse Award as 2-year-old colt (the

awards were initiated in 1971) who won the Kentucky Derby and Belmont Stakes the year before Big Red. By Virginia sire First Landing, Riva Ridge went on to earn \$1.1 million, so surely he helped finance the *Secretariat* "experiment," but that bit of reality would dilute the tension of the plot, so the admission is understandable and forgiven.

It is interesting what the studio found important to show and what they glossed over. There is a scene in which *Secretariat* loses his first start, but no other 2-year-old races are presented—either recreated or with historical footage (completely skirting the fact that he was Horse of the Year at 2).

Horse folks are going to have to look past some of the movie-making techniques and simply enjoy the ride that is *Secretariat*. Disney is clearly forced to compress both space and time in order to keep the plot racing along to that now very famous June Saturday at Belmont Park.

A perfect example of this is the syndication of *Secretariat*. One scene shows Tweedy, Ham and Seth Hancock all in the same office (presumably at the farm in Virginia) while Eddie Sweat stands outside holding *Secretariat*'s shank in one hand and bathing him with his free hand. That probably didn't happen, as Tweedy was most likely in Colorado or New York, Hancock in Kentucky, Ham in Virginia and Big Red and Sweat in New York.

My advice is don't go into *Secretariat* looking to criticize its slip-ups. Go in looking to enjoy a ride up to and through the Triple Crown during what we know was an amazing period of horse racing history.

I'm looking forward to taking my kids. Then my son will know exactly who that big chestnut horse in the framed poster over his bed is and why his daddy put him there.

/Glenn Petty

The movie Secretariat is scheduled for release on October 9, 2010.

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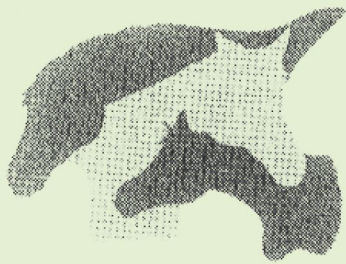
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Casey homebreds in the spotlight

On Saturday, August 7, John Allen Casey left his base of Charles Town and made the cumbersome four-hour journey to Mountaineer Park.

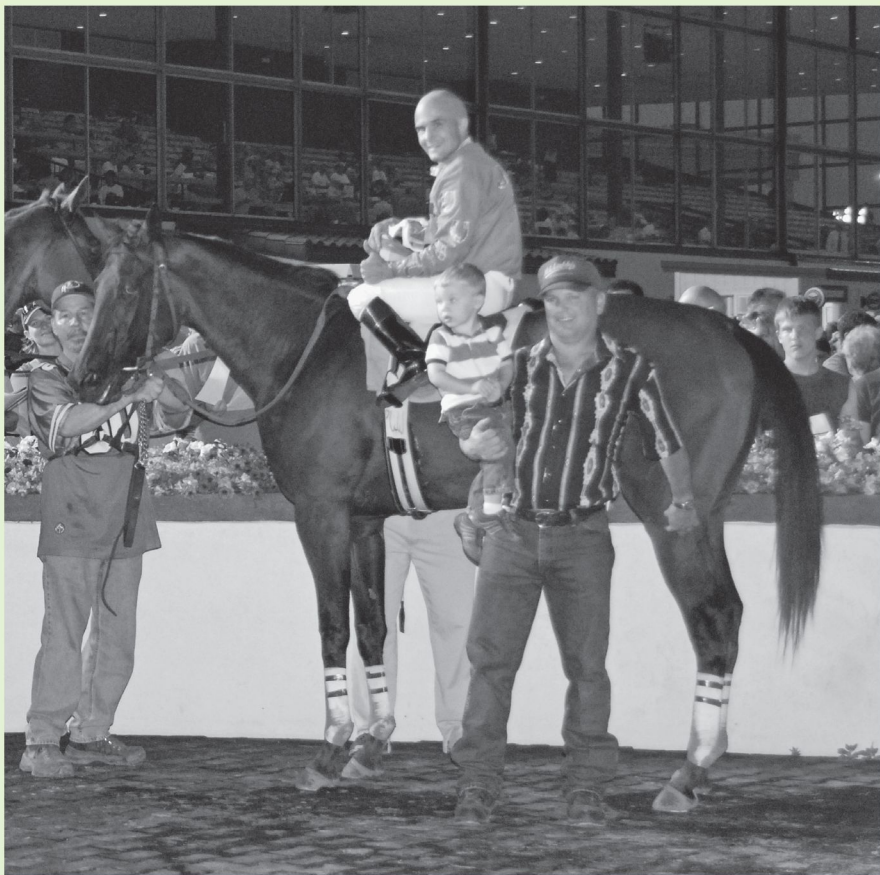
The reasons for his trip were to test a gifted 2-year-old colt named Mr. Proud Allen and to build a distance foundation for his sprinting genius Down Town Allen.

The sweltering Mid-Atlantic weather and high-dollar competition did not deter either runner from success.

The first race on the program was the \$85,000-guaranteed Mountaineer Juvenile Stakes, which drew nationally ranked conditioners Steve Asmussen (represented by Vinery Stables's Secret Ride) and Todd Pletcher (who sent out Congo for Claiborne Farm).

Mr. Proud Allen went into the Mountaineer Juvenile off just one other start. On June 27, in a four and one-half-furlong maiden special weight at Charles Town, the rangy son of My Boy Adam (out of Lets Just Do It, by Roy) had proved his

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Owner/trainer/breeder John A. Casey, holding his 2-year-old son, Allen, is on a roll with Down Town Allen, shown in the winner's circle for the Lady Charles Town Stakes in June.

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rapid morning breezes were no fluke, gearing down late to score impressively, by just over nine lengths.

The rider was Kristy Petty, John's partner and mother of their 2-year-old son, Allen.

Petty has been instrumental in helping John develop their young horses and was rewarded by securing both mounts on Mountaineer Park's prestigious West Virginia Derby day.

When the gates opened at Mountaineer, Mr. Proud Allen found himself in the unfamiliar position of having to chase horses. Settling in the second tier of runners, Petty angled her mount toward the notorious dead rail, which turned out to be a winning strategy.

Getting up by a head at the wire was worth \$49,300 to the couple.

The final time was 1:13.42—slow in comparison to the 2-year-old fillies who three races later stepped the same distance in 1:11.89.

If anyone had concerns that Down Town Allen would fail to stretch her speed beyond her comfort zone of four and a half furlongs, they were quickly dismissed in the third race, the six-furlong \$85,000-guaranteed West Virginia Secretary of State Stakes.

The cream of the 3-year-old filly crop in West Virginia broke like a shot from post 10, set fast fractions, and held sway over the fast-closing Our Khrysty.

The bay filly by Windsor Castle (out of Like Down Town, by Roy) maintained her flawless record for

the season: four starts, four wins. Earlier in 2010, she captured the Lady Charles Town and Its Binn Too Long Stakes.

It would be difficult to find another filly who is as cool under fire as this long-legged sprinter.

Black Belt performance

A large crowd was in attendance at the newly renamed Hollywood Casino at Charles Town Races on Saturday night August 7, to see the much anticipated duel between rising star Black Belt and last year's dominant 2-year-old, Son of a Bear.

The 3-year-olds met for the first time in the \$50,000 Robert G. Leavitt Stakes at seven furlongs.

The duel in the dark matched the speed of Black Belt with the determination of Son of a Bear. At the finish, only a half length separated the two, although Black Belt collected the winner's share of the purse (\$30,780) for owner Fast Break Racing Stable and trainer Gerald Bennett.

Bred by O'Sullivan Farms, Black Belt is a gray/roan gelding by Prized out of Karate Kid, by Eastover Court. He spent the winter months at Tampa Bay in Florida before turning northward to compete on the synthetic surface of Presque Isle Downs.

He is now 2-for-2 in stakes company at Charles Town.

Veteran race mare

Shesagrumptoo took on several of her old adversaries in the \$50,000-

added Sadie Hawkins Stakes on Saturday, August 14, and gained back her respect on the race track, winning by a length and a quarter under Oliver Castillo.

Dismissed at odds of 28-1 in the seven-furlong event for older fillies and mares, the 7-year-old chestnut daughter of Luftikus out Roberta Grump, by Verification, is now trained by Marylander John Robb.

The initial win in 2010 for Shesagrumptoo was credited to the account of owner Jack Jordan Racing LLC, who claimed the mare last November for \$20,000.

Robert Lloyd bred the multiple stakes winner and \$448,654-earner who is a half-sister to 2009 Charles Town Races Horse of the Year Russell Road.

Still working for a living

The physical specimen standing outside barn 11 didn't look like a run of the mill stable pony.

Asked about the immense chestnut, trainer John Casey smiled and said, "You remember Ginger Ale!"

The 11-year-old's coat shimmered in the morning sun.

A son of Wesham out of Dancing Ginger, by Dancing Czar, Ginger Ale last raced on October 27, 2005. He won or placed in four stakes, earning \$151,809 for Casey's father, James W. Casey, who bred him.

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